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Congress Opponents Forfeit Deposits

Decisive Victories At Polls

Bengal Labour Gives Clear Verdict

Pt. K. Malaviya Throws More Light On Pilibhit Outrage

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

The result in the Calcutta and Suburb Registered Factories Labour Constituency was as follows:—

Suresh Chandra Banerjee (Congress), President of the Bengal Trade Union Congress, 26,027.

Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose, President of the Bengal Trade Union Federation, 3,022;

Mr. Syed Mazher Abbas (Independent), 2,646.

The lost two forfeit their security deposit.—A. P.

ANOTHER FORFEITS DEPOSIT

A Tezpur (Assam) message conveys the news of yet another Congress victory in the elections.

Mr. Mahadev Sharma, a Congress nominee from the Tezpur East General Constituency, has defeated his two rival candidates Mr. Thaneswar Bhogavati and Mr. Kirtiman Barua (both Independents) by securing 3,172 votes.

Mr. Bhagavati secured only 328 votes while Mr. Barua secured 617 votes. The security money deposited by Mr. Bhagavati will be forfeited.—United Press.

CONGRESS SCORES IN ORISSA ALSO

CUTTACK, Jan. 25.

Mr. Biswanath Das and Mrs. Laxmi Bai, the two Congress candidates set up from two out of the four constituencies in Ganjam District, have been returned to Orissa Legislative Assembly. Mr. Bal Krishna Rath, who opposed Congress candidate Mr. Biswanath Das, has forfeited his security deposit, as he failed to secure one-eighth number of total votes actually polled in that constituency.

Raja of Parlakimedi and M. G. Pattnaik have been returned from two other constituencies in this district.—United Press.

MORE CONGRESS VICTORIES

CALCUTTA, Jan. 23.

The report of two more cases of Congress victory in elections to the legislatures has been received from the interior, one from Assam and the other from a Bengal district.

Mr. Sivendra Chandra Biswas, President of the Sylhet District Congress Committee was declared elected by a large majority to the Assam Legislative Assembly from the Habiganj North General Constituency while Mr. Khagendra Nath Das-Gupta, a nominee of the Congress, was declared elected to the Bengal Legislative Assembly from the Jalpaiguri General Constituency.—United Press.

MINISTER SUSTAINS CRUSHING DEFEAT

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

Nawab Sir K. G. M. Faroqui, Minister for Agriculture and Industries, Bengal Government, and Leader of the House in the last Bengal Council sustained a crushing defeat at the hands of his rival Mr. Jasimuddin Ahmed in the election contest from the 24 Parganas South (Rural) Mahomedan Constituency.

Counting of votes which was completed to-day showed that Nawab Sir Faroqui secured 3,829 votes against the colossal figure of 8,897 votes polled in favour of his rival.

Nawab Sir Faroqui has filed nominations from two other constituencies also, results of which are not yet known.—United Press.

Labour Votes Congress

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

The counting of votes to-day for the Calcutta and Suburbs Labour Constituency showed that Dr. Suresh Banerjee, a member of the All-India Congress Committee and President of the Bengal Provincial Trade Union Congress, headed the polls, having secured 26,027 votes while his rivals Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose, President of the Bengal Provincial Trade Union Federation, got 3,022 votes and Syed Mujahar Abbas got 2,646 votes.

Both the rivals of Dr. Banerjee have forfeited the deposit money as both have failed to secure one-eighth of the total number of votes polled. Altogether 31,695 votes were polled out of the total number of votes in this constituency numbering 74,000.

It will be noted that Dr. Banerjee has polled the largest number of votes secured by any candidate uptil now in this province.

The All-India Trade Union Congress set up five candidates from five labour constituencies. Out of these two results announced to-day went in favour of the All-India Trade Union Congress nominees.—United Press.

LIBERAL LEADER TROUNCED

SURI, Jan. 25.

Dr. Sarat Chandra Mukerjee, a Congress nominee, was declared elected to the Bengal Legislative Assembly from the Birbhum general constituency, defeating his rival candidate Prof. Jitendra Lal Banerjee, by 5,000 votes.—United Press.

WALK-OVER IN SIND

KARACHI, Jan. 25.

A "Gazette" Extraordinary announces the unopposed return of Miss Jethi Sipli Maiani and Mr. Issardas Verandamal, Congress nominees to the Sind Legislative Assembly from the Women's and Commerce Constituencies respectively.—United Press.

Independence Day In City
See Page 7.

For the first time in the election history of the country an aeroplane was used when Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru the Congress President, started on his campaign in the Punjab. So great was the rush at Amritsar that landing had to be delayed by half an hour.

Picture shows the 'plane surrounded by the crowds as it alighted.

Peasant Crowds Chase Congress President

Jawahar Performs A Marvel In Electioneering Campaign

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's whirlwind campaign in rural areas of Allahabad has been an electioneering marvel. Though tired and exhausted, he succeeded in covering large distances and addressing huge crowds. Everyhwere he received a tremendous ovation.

At one place the crowd became so unmanageable that he had to run on foot for over four furlongs to reach a meeting place, the crowd following him. He reached the dais panting and exhausted. The Congress President left the car and ran on foot to save time for which he was hardpressed.

Pandit Nehru's tour lasted five hours during which he galvanised the whole country-side. More than two lakhs of villagers heard him speak. The faces of poor villagers who flocked to have a 'darshan' of the Congress President were brimming with inexpressible joy. Adressing the villagers Pandit Nehru said that there were only two parties in India—those fighting for the cause of the people and the other against it.

The Congress wanted the Government of the people and not only an Indian substitute for the present system of Government all over the country. He found people in the clutches of poverty. That was the biggest problem before them. They had no power to solve that problem of poverty. Only a handful of people were ruling over them. Whether the rulers were Indians or Englishmen, they only knew how to further their ends. They must generate the power and strength if they wanted success. That could be only done by organisation. They must have a Congress Committee in every village and discuss their grievances and inform the Central Committee.

The Congress was going to the Councils to keep out Khan Bahadurs, Raja Bahadurs and Nawabs who sided with Government.

Although Pandit Nehru tried his best, he could not cover the entire programme fixed for to-day. Throughout the tour the villagers simply flooded him with flowers and his car was overloaded with them. The Congress President lavishly distributed these flowers and garlands to the village children and young girls who much appreciated the courtesy. At more than a dozen places the President delivered short messages only. He is likely to go out to-morrow also, although he badly needs rest now.

CHOICE FOR PEOPLE

Congress President In Badaun

BAREILLY, Jan. 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru addressed four election meetings in Badaun district during his whirlwind campaign for four hours, having travelled by motor more than 60 miles.

Pandit Nehru exhorted thousands of men, women and children at Dataganj to support Congress candidates only, carry the ideal of the Congress and work for it.

More than 10,000 people were present at a meeting at Badaun where he received an address of welcome by the District Board.

Replying to the address he asked people to choose between slavery and freedom at the time of casting their votes. A vote for the Congress was a vote for freedom, said Panditji.

He asked them to observe Independence Day on January 26 and hartal on April 1, the day of inauguration of the new Constitution.

He then motored back to Bareilly where he saw Seth Damodar Swarup who is ill, Panditji left for Cawnpore at midnight.—United Press.

CONGRESS OFFICE LOOTED

Election Clash In Gaya District

PATNA: January 25.

Information has been received at Congress Headquarters here reporting that a clash occurred in the Warisalganj, Gaya District, on the occasion of polling for the Legislative Assembly and that the Congress office was looted.—A. P.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who is touring Maharashtra Districts for Congress Election work.

CONGRESS SECRETARIAT RAIDED

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 25.

In connection with the search in the office of the All-India Congress Committee this evening the following Government order and search warrant addressed to the Joint Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee was shown to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru at Anand Bhawan.

As Acharya Kripalani is absent on a tour in Sind, the Office Secretary Mr. D. Narasing was sent for and the search was conducted at about 8 p.m.

The following is the text of the order:—

"With reference to your news letter No. 11 on the back of which is printed the Independence Pledge dated 11th January, 1937, I have the honour to inform you that by a notification published this afternoon His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has been pleased to declare forfeited to His Majesty all copies of the Independence Pledge. Any person reading out this pledge renders himself liable to prosecution under Section 5 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act 1932 or under Section 124-A I. P. C. Persons distributing or circulating the Pledge in form of leaflets render themselves to arrest."

It has been issued by the District Magistrate, Allahabad. Four copies of the News Letter and about 35 copies of the Pledge have been seized by the police from the All-India Congress Committee office. The news letter mentioned in the order relates to those of the Foreign Department of the A. I. C. C. stated to have been issued by Dr. Rammonohar Lohia recently.—United Press.

People Gagged: Meetings Banned

And National Flag Can't Be Flown For Another Year In Mysore State

MYSORE, Jan. 25.

The District Magistrate of Mysore has issued orders prohibiting within the city limits and five miles round for a period of one week from to-day the holding of public meetings, delivering of speeches, reading of the Independence Pledge in connection with the Independence Day celebrations and processions under Section 39 of the Police Regulation, as in his opinion such celebrations are likely to lead to disturbance of public peace.

BAN ON NATIONAL FLAG

Mysore, January 25.—The District Magistrate of Mysore again renewed yesterday the order prohibiting the hoisting of the National Flag in the city for a period of one year.

Hitherto the order was limited to periods of six months only.—United Press.

Delhi Call To Bombay Muslims

Send Your Best Spokesman By Electing Mr. Brelvi

(From Our Correspondent)

DELHI, Jan. 25.

The following prominent persons of Delhi have issued a statement in support of Mr. Brelvi.

Mr. and Mrs. Asaf Ali, Dr. Zakir Hussain, Mohd Jafri (Millat), Moulvi Mohiyuddin, (Al Jamait Hilal) Ahmed Zuberi, Ansari, Abdul Majid, Secretary Provincial Jaimiat-ul-Ulema, Maulana Noor-uddin, Assistant Secretary Muslim Youth League, Wahidudin Ahmed, Pleader, Abdul A. Faruqi, Editor Mehsher-e-Khayal" Mulla Wahidi, Municipal Commissioner Aziz Hasan, Editor of "Pehswa" Raziqul Khairi, Editor "Ismat", Qari Abhas Husain, Farid ul Haq Ansari, Mohd. Abdullah Ansari, Mohd Usman Azad, editor "Qaumi Gazette," Fasihuddin, Secretary, Harding Library Boards Mohd Ibrahim Embroidery Merchant and Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Rahim.

The following is the statement:

We the abovementioned have learnt with great pleasure that Mr. Syed Abdulla Brelvi who has been serving not only the cause of the country and nation but has rendered yeoman services in protecting the legitimate rights of his co-religionists through jornalism has agreed to enter the Bombay Assembly and serve his people through it.

The Bombay Congress Committee has also nominated him as their candidate, which is a clear proof of the confidence in him from all sides

BEST REPRESENTATIVE

We are sure that the voters of his Constituency can not find a better man than him and in electing him they will send a best representative and strongest spokesman. He is the ablest journalist and best speaker of which we, Mussalmans, are proud of and we can say with full confidence that he will fulfil our expectations in the Assembly.

APPEAL TO VOTERS.

We strongly appeal to the voters of his Constituency to vote for him and thus do not only give a proof of duty to the community but to afford an opportunity to Mr. Brelvi to serve his people.

We all support him whole-heartedly.

ALLEGED MURDER OF CONGRESSMAN

Pt. K. Malaviya Repudiate Theory Of Dacoity

LUCKNOW, Jan. 25.

Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Babu Purshotamdas Tandon, Pandit Krishnakant Malaviya who had been to Philibhit on receipt of an 'S.O.S.' from Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, President of the Provincial Congress Committee to enquire into the alleged murder of a Congress worker returned yesterday to their respective destinations.

Pandit Krishnakant Malaviya who arrived here this morning in a statement said, "by no flight of imagination, can the dastardly act be attributed to dacoity. We have made enquiries and even one millionth part of all that we have heard of the incident points to some other way. Nobody can say in the face of facts that a pice worth of things have been stolen from there. The deceased was wearing a gold ring on his finger and that was taken out by the civil surgeon at the time of the 'post mortem.' I cannot understand how before an enquiry had been made, it was given out that the murder was due to dacoity. There is not an iota of truth in this statement. Whosoever the murderers were, they were after the deceased's blood. I have no mind to prejudice the enquiry and do not want to say anything further but emphatically repudiate the theory of dacoity. During the last two years, or in recent past, no cases of dacoity have been reported anywhere in the vicinity."—A. P.

JAWAHAR BACK AT ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru returned to Allahabad early this morning.

He shortly after drove to Daoba Constituency in connection with election work

He will hoist the National Flag to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock and will address a public meeting in connection with Independence Day celebration.—United Press.

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Wanted—A Graduate Stenographer—Salary Rs. 50—5—80—Efficiency Bar 5|2—100 per month. One with considerable experience in a commercial concern, if found suitable, may be given a higher start in the above grade. Apply with full particulars and copies of testimonials to the Office Asstt., Calico Mills, Ahmedabad. (4726).

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Wanted—A second hand Anderson Oil Expeller in perfect working order. Please correspond with Ch. Tirath Ram Ishwar Das, Sargodha. 7601.

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B. A. PATEL,
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Chief Officer,
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(Sd.) A. K. BOSE,
Rai Bahadur, M.B.E.,
Diwan, Bamra State.
20-1-1937. 4728.

Legal Notices.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of H. H. JAGATGURU SHRIMAT PRATIVADI BHAYANKER ANANTCHARYAJI MAHARAJ, also known as PRATIVADI BHAYANKAR ANANTHACHARYA, also known as H. H. THE JAGATGURU SHRIMAT PRATIVADI BHAYANKAR ANANTHACHARYA, also known as H. H. THE JAGADGURU SHRIMAD PRATIVADI BHAYANKAR ANANTHACHARYA SWAMIN, also known as P. B. ANANTHACHARIAR, also known as HIS HOLINESS JAGADGURU PRATHIVATHI BHAYANKAR ANANTHACHARIAR SWAMIN and also known as P. B. ANANTHACHARYAR, of Bombay and Conjeeveram in the Madras Presidency, Hindu inhabitant, residing at the time of his death at Chapra in Behar..Deceased.

PRATIVADI BHAYANKER KRISHNAMACHARYA, son of H. H. Jagatguru Prativadi Bhayanker Anantcharyaji Maharaj, the deceased abovenamed of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at 80, Fanaswadi without the Fort of Bombay .....Petitioner.

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WITNESS SIR JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 20th day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and thirty-seven and in the First year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

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7-30 p.m. Big Ben. 'World Affairs.' A talk by Sir Frederick Whyte, K.C.S.I., LL.D. 7-46 Musical Interlude. 7-50 The BBC Theatre Orchestra. 9-0 'Scrapbook for 1922. 10-0 The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10-15 p.m. 10-20 Dance Music.

Bombay Programme

VUB 350.9 metres, 855 kcs.

8-0 a.m. Bhajan Songs. M. G. Basarkar. With Sarangi, Organ and Tabla. 8-30 a.m. Jaltarang Solos. Dattaram Parwatkar. 9-0 a.m. Gawlan Songs. M. G. Basarkar. 1 p.m. Lunch Time Selections. 6-30 p.m. 'For Children.' By Aunties Marion and Zena. 'Men who get gold.' 'Things you can make.' 'Special story for the very young children.' Songs. 7-0 p.m. Talk (English): 'Cooking without Tears: Pickles and Preserves.' By Hilda Flanders.. 7-30 p.m. Dance Music. (Recorded). 8-30 p.m. Commercial News and the News in Hindi. 9-0 p.m. Talk (English): 'Some problems.' No. 3. Education and Unemployment. By Rev. John Mackenzie. 9-15 p.m. The News. 9-30 p.m. Ratanbai. In Thumri and Gazals. 10-0 p.m. Sitar Solo. Pandit Madhavlal. 10-10 p.m. Songs from the Films. By Ratanbai. 'Bharat-ki-Beti.' ' Sarla.' 'Song of Life.' 10-40 p.m. Sitar Solo Pandit Madhavlal.

Delhi Programme

VUD 340.13 metres, 882 kcs.

8-0 a.m. Shrimad Bhagwad Geeta (Text & Translation). 8-15 a.m. Indian music. (Recorded 9-0 a.m. Talk (Hindustani): 'Who Stand and Wait.' No. 4. Engineering (Hindustani translation). By R. C. Case, I.S.E. 9-15 a.m. AIR Orchestra C. Gujri Todi. 9-25 a.m. K. N. Pathak of Baroda. 'Bina hara ko na khabar mori lot Khayal Bhairvin. Sanchi kahat hai.' Khayal Desai Todi. 'Tu to Girdhar Gopala.' Bhajan. 9-55 a.m. Nawab Jan Rampuri. 'Ja main tose nahim bolun.' Thumri Bhairvin. 'Har bat men ik shan hai besakhta pan ki, Tasweer hai taqreer tiri-i-sukhan ki.' (Hasrat) 'Matwari tori akhiyan julam karen.' Dadra Bhairvin. 10-25 a.m. Dadra On Violin, Piano & Tabla. 1-0 p.m. 'Well-known Singers' (A Recorded Programme). 2-0 p.m. AIR Orchestra B. Puriya Dhanasri 2-10 p.m. Ghulam Farid. 'Wuhi rup base hai man men, Jise dhunde jagat ban ban men.' Bhajan. 'Aftab-i-risalat peh lakhon salam, Mahtab-i-nabuwwat peh lakhon salam.' Mouth Organ (Accompanied by AIR Orchestra (B). 2-40 p.m. Nawab Jan Rampuri. 'Un ko ruswa mujhe kharab na kar, Ae dil itna bhi iztirab na kar.' (Hasrat). 'Kahiyo Kaisi kati sari rat.' Dadra Pilu. 5-0 p.m. 1st News & Weather Report (English). 5-10 p.m. 1st News and Weather Report (Hindustani) 5-20 p.m. AIR Orchestra B & C Sham Kalyan. 5-30 p.m. K. N. Pathak of Baroda. Classical Music. 6-0 p.m. Nawab Jan Rampuri. 'Mast on per ungliyan na ut hav bahar men, Dekho to hosh hai bhi kisi hoshiyar men.' (Hafeez). 'Bahut kuchh dhum hai roz-i-jaza ki, Kahin us se na ho pursish jafi ki.' (Majruh). 6-20 p.m. Ghulam Farid. 'Jis ne maza ishq da chakha ho janda diwana, Wang Sudaiyan phirda dar dar jion phird mastana.' (Punjabi Geet). 6-30 p.m. 'For Villagers Only.' (Delhi Market Rates and Time Signal at 7-0 p.m.) 7-30 p.m. Ghulam Farid. 'Suna hai hashr men ik husn-i-alamgir dekhenge. (Jigar). Khuda jane tujhe apni-hi taswir Dekhenge Arman fart-i-zabt se purjosh ho gae, Akhir yeh fitne mahshar-i-khamosh ho gae.' (Hafeez). 7-50 p.m. Adana Kandra on Sarangi. 8-0 p.m. Talk (Hindustani): 'India and the World.' No 3. India and Japan. By Prof. Ataullah Butt. 8-15 p.m. AIR Orchestra B & C. Sorath. 8-30 p.m. K. N. Pathak of Baroda. 'Neer bharan kaise jaun.' Khayal Tilak Kamod. 'Chandr badan Radhika.' Khayal Jai Jai Vanti. 8-49 p.m. Nawab Jan Rampuri. 'Lutf ki un se iltija na karen, Ham ne aisa kabhi kiya na karen.' (Hasrat). 'Magar Kanemera ada dekhte hain, Khushi sewoh e a ke kia dekhte hain.' 9-5 p.m. Ghulam Farid. Mouth Organ. (Accompanied by AIR Orchestra B & C). 9-15 p.m. 2nd News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 9-30 p.m 2nd News and Weather Report (English). 9-45 p.m. Talk (English): 'Who Stand and Wait.' No 4. The Army. By Col. G. A. Pim. (Brief outlines of various careers: their scope and methods of entry therein). 10-0 p.m. 'One Hour of Viennese Music.' By The Hotel Marina Viennese Orchestra.

Calcutta Programme

VUC 370.4 metres, 810 kcs.
49.10 metres, 6,109 kcs.
(All 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

12-36 p.m. SB The Grand Hotel Orchestra. (Relayed from the Palm Court). Calcutta Weather Bulletin for Ocean and Rivercraft. 1-36 p.m. Religious Talk: 'Brindaban Leela.' No. 1. By Raghu Nath Bhattacharya. 2-0 p.m. Modern Song. Dirjen Chaudhuri. 2-16 Talk: "Stories of Strange Lands." No. 2. Upendra Nath Bhattacharya. 2-31 Modern Son. Sunila Bose. 2-41 Duet for Piano and Violin. Prasanta Gupta and Pratap Pathak. 2-51 the Haunted House. Subimal Bose. 5-6 "Notes and News for Children." "What the Birds say." A Variety programme for Children. "Our popular little Princesses" Arranged by Mejdidi. 6-6 Music Lessons by P. K. Mullick. 6-36 Instrumental Music by the Betar Orchestra. Conducted by Tarak Nath Dey. 6-46 Modern Bengali Song Juthica Ghosh. 6-56 The Betar Orchestra. 7-6 "Mirar Jiban-Sangit." Explanatory remarks by Kshiti Mohan Sen Sastri. Music by Himanshu Datta Sura-Sagar. Artists: Sabitri Basu, Ela Das, and others. 8-6 Talk: "Modern Criminal Investigation" No. 4. S B Criminal Investigation." No. 4. others. 8-6 SB Talk: "Modern Some Typical Criminal cases. By Provat Mukherjee . Asst. Com. of Police, Calcutta. 8-21 SB Kheyal (Basant) and Gazal Hindustani. Mustaq Hussain. 8-41 SB Commercial News and Weather Report (In Bengali). 8-46 SB The News and Announcements. 9-1 SB Commercial News and Weather Report (in English). 9-6 SB The News and Announcements. 9-21 SB Talk (English): "Literary Reviews." By Prof. Humphrey House, Presidency College, Calcutta. 9-36 SB "I Scream too Much." A Radio Satire. By Spike Hughes. Produced by Max Kester. (A BBC Recorded Programme.)

Jamnabai Udyog Mandir

(From A Correspondent)

A public meeting was held on the 15th inst. at the Jamnabai Udyog Mandir, Parshram Mansion, Girgaum, when demonstration of several Home Industries was given by students. Miss Bachubai Wagle took the chair and a resolution was passed. To open such Industrial Schools throughout India.

This institution distributed 250 Woollen Sweaters, Caps etc. among Harijans through Miss Bachubai Wagle in the different Harijan Centres.

The proprietor of the Jamnabai Udyog Mandir Mr. Govindjee Bhagvandas delivered a speech on the necessity of such Homes.

Acharya Kripalani, after returning to Allahabad on Friday again left for Sind.

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CONGRESSMEN'S DUTY ON POLLING DAY

They Must Give Only One Vote To Each Congress Candidate

UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION BOUND TO UPSET ALL CALCULATIONS

The Propaganda Secretaries of the Bombay City Congress Parliamentary Board have issued the following statement explaining the method of voting at the forthcoming election for the Bombay Legislative Assembly:

We have made it clear on more than one occasion that to be able to return successfully all the Congress candidates in the Bombay City and suburbs, a very large percentage of voters will have to go to the Polls. If only 75 per cent. of the voters will take the trouble of going to the Polling Booths and casting their votes according to the instructions of the Congress, we can guarantee that every candidate who stands on the Congress ticket will be successfully returned to the Legislature.

"MISCHIEVOUS RUMOURS"

Going to the Polls in very large numbers is the only one of the many duties that the electors will have to perform on the Polling Day. In view of the experience that this City had had at the last election to the Indian Legislative Assembly, we must take this early opportunity of concentrating the attention of the voters on the method of voting at the ensuing elections. So far as the Bombay Legislative Assembly is concerned, it must be remembered that the Congress has put its official candidate for every contestable seat and the voters will have to see that they distribute their votes in a manner that would make it possible for all candidates to be successfully returned. Very often it so happens that some of the voters have got their favourite candidate on whom they like to dump their votes with the result that the votes are unequally distributed and inevitably wasted. As the day of Polling comes nearer, all sorts of stories are circulated among the voters that one candidate is strong and another candidate is weak and, therefore, they must concentrate their votes on a weak candidate in preference to the strong one. In regard to all such stories which are as imaginary as they are mischievous, we have to sound a note of warning and caution the voters against all these election tricks. No candidate is either strong or weak unless the voters make him so by unequal distribution of their votes.

ONE VOTE TO EACH.

Congress, therefore, expects that every voter shall carefully weigh the responsibility and vote according to the instructions issued by the Congress. Occasionally, we receive reports of certain enthusiastic admirers of certain candidates misleading the voters by telling all sorts of fanciful stories thereby doing a great harm both to the candidate they desire to support as well as to Congress itself. It is the duty of the voters to give one vote and one only to each Congress candidate put up for a constituency concerned. To take a concrete example, Congress has put three candidates for A, B, C and D Wards General Constituency. Every voter has got three votes and it is the duty of those voters who want to vote for the Congress to give one vote only to each of the three candidates. Any unequal distribution of votes for whatever reason is bound to upset all calculations and spoil the election as a whole. It is not the concern of the voters to measure the popularity or otherwise of the respective candidates. They must remember that they are voting for the Congress and not for an individual. We cannot too much emphasise the necessity of voters appreciating the view-point which we are putting before them. Instances where any admirers of a Congress candidate are found doing an exclusive propaganda for their own candidate should at once be reported to the office of the B.P.C.C. so that proper steps should be taken to discourage such attempts Voters are expected to rise above considerations of sectarianism, communalism and even of friendship and do their duty in the only manner as directed by the Congress.

Mr. Jayant G. Rele, B.A., LL.B, who has been elected the President of the Kshatriya community at the general election of the community held on January 10.

AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Monday.

The City Coroner held an inquest to-day on the body of Ahmed Fazal Huq (30) residing at Falkland Road. He was stabbed by four persons, while he was going along Bapty Road.

The inquest was adjourned to the 5th February.

Fourteen persons were arrested following a gambling raid by the DeLisle Road Police on Sunday afternoon in a room of Khimji Ghela's Patra Chawl at Kajoor Hatwadi Parbadhevi.

During the course of the raid cowries, packs of playing cards and cash were seized.

Five persons were arrested by the Prevention of Gambling Squad Police at the week-end, near the door of a paper godown in a lane, off Gamadia Road.

They were placed before Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawala, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, today, and ordered to be released on bail.

Ramanand Bisharam and Shankerlal Kashiram were arrested on Saturday night on charge of receiving Satta bets at Clive Road. Pending further inquiries they were ordered to be released on bail in sum of Rs. 100 (Rs. 50 to be deposited) in default to be remanded into Police custody for a week at the Mazagaon Court to-day.

Remarking that no other offence had been shown against the accused, Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawalla, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, found P. V. Mukherji, a telegraph clerk, in the local Central Telegraph Office, guilty today, on his own plea of being guilty on a charge of criminal breach of trust as a public servant.

The accused was sentenced to undergo one day's S. I. and a fine of Rs. 200, or in default, to undergo two months' R.I.

A Chunam merchant in a hut at post of Elphinstone Road Bridge, was alleged to have been stabbed in the back for refusing to accommodate a sattoria to do business in his hut.

It was stated that one Mohamed Yassin Hussein approached the complainant's shop, entered it and started accepting satta bets on Saturday night. When the complainant remonstrated the accused asked him to clear out, it seems he threatened him and went away after telling him he would 'show.'

On Sunday afternoon, it was alleged, he came and attacked the shopkeeper. A Police Constable near-by came to timely rescue.

Mohamed Yassin was remanded for fourteen days at Dadar Police Court to-day

One Pandmanap Pilla was produced this morning at the Girgaum Court on a charge of theft of leaves from a tree in the compound of a building at Peddar Road.

Accused was remanded into the custody of the Gamdevi Police till February 3.

Consequent to confessions made by two alleged thieves in the custody of the Maharbowri Police a junk shop in Ardeshir Dady Street was searched and a large quantity of lead piping and sanitary fittings, purported to be stolen property brought by the partners of the shop was seized.

One of the partners Rama Ramchander who was arrested was ordered to be released on bail in a sum of Rs. 100 (cash Rs. 50) till February 8 as the other partner is absconding still.

The Coroner's Juy held to-day inquest over the body of an unknown Hindu, who was knocked down by down train from Masjid to Sandhurst Road on Jan. 23.

The jury returned a verdict that death was caused by shock due to injuries caused when he was accidentally knocked down by a train.

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BOMBAY ARTISTE HONOURED

Title Of "Sangitmartanda" Conferred On Pandit Onkarnath

(From A Correspondent).

CALCUTTA, (By Mail.)

Before a distinguished gathering of scholars and musicians, an address in Sanskrit was presented to Pandit Onkarnath Thakur the celebrated musician and the foremost disciple of the late Pandit Vishnudigambar, at the Sanskrit College Hall, Calcutta.

The meeting was presided over by the Hon'ble Sir B. P. Singh Roy, Kt., Minister-in-charge of Local Self-Government, Bengal. The function opened with the famous Bhajan Song "Gobinda Mukharabinda" by Sj. Amarnath Bhattacharyya, the reputed "dhrupadi" of the province.

The address printed in multi-colour on white satin and tastefully mounted was presented by Pandit Asokenath Sastri, who in his speech referred to the past glories of Bengal in music and the set back she has suffered in the present times.

M. M. Sakalnarayan Sarma then read out the "Manapatram" signed by eminent signatories like M.M. Yogendranath Vedantatirtha, M.M. Durgacharan Sankhya Vedantatirtha, the Hon'ble Sir B. P. Singh Roy, Principal Dr. S. N. Dasgupta. The "Manapatram" contained the title of "Sangitmartanda" formally conferred on Pandit Onkarnath for his profound scholarship in the theory and practice of Classical Indian Music.

After speeches by Principal Dasgupta, the Hon'ble Minister, Damodar Das Khannah and others, Panditji sang an exquisite Bhajan of Kabir in Darbari Kanada and concluded with the National Anthem "Bande Mataram" in his own style.

Maharaja Bahadur Jogendra Nath Roy of Nattore, due to indisposition, regretted his inability to attend the function and sent his greetings to Panditji. Among those present were Babu Jagatgrosonno Mukherjee of Gobordanga, Bhupendra Krishna Ghose of Pathuriaghata, Mr. J. R. Stapleton (A. I. Radio), Pts. Taranath Tarkatirtha, Shivakumar, Profs, C. C. Bhattacharyya, R. G. Basak, N. K. Dutt, Haridas Mukherjee, M. Banerjee, Sjts. Harendralal Ghosh, Atulananda Dutt, Dhiren Ghose (Nachghar), Suresh Chakrabertty, Bani Kumar, Mr. R. Aich, Kashi Chatterjee, Surya Pal, Pandit Kanailal Bharati, Prof. Gaurinath Bhattacherjee, Mr. H. L. Mitter M.A. B.L. and Rabin Sarkar.

PLEA FOR FULL REMISSION

Kardi Ryots Hard Hit By Crop Failure

(From Our Correspondent).

KARDI, (By Mail).

The following resolutions were passed at the Ryots Conference held on the 19th instant at Kardi in the Mungund Taluka of Bijapur District:

"On account of the scanty rainfall and adverse atmospheric conditions this year, crops in the villages in the eastern part of the Hungund Taluka have failed. In view of this fact, the Conference requests (a) That the Government should declare famine in the affected villages. (b) That this year's land revenue should be wholly remitted, as it is becoming increasingly difficult to pay the suspended arrears of Land-revenue. (c) That famine works should be started immediately. (d) That the execution of decrees regarding the Tagai loans, private loans or the loans advanced by the co-operative societies should be suspended until November 1938. (e) That arrangements should be made for the supply of the cheap fodder for the cattle. (f) That Dole-centres should be started at suitable places. (g) That the free kitchens for old men and young children should be started and (h) That balance of suspended arrears should be remitted."

Other resolutions urge undertaking of construction works for famine relief and encouragement of village industries.

RALPH FOX DEAD

Killed While Fighting For Defence Of Democracy

Mr. Sajjad Zaheer in a letter to the "Congress Socialist writes:

"This morning (16-1-37) I heard the news that Ralph Fox has been killed while leading a company of men into action on the Cordova front in Spain."

Ralph Fox was a leading Communist writer. His recent books include "France Faces the Future and Chengis Khan." As a publicist and pamphleteer he rendered yeoman service to the cause of socialism.

MEMON PHILANTHROPIST PASSES AWAY

Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail Sobhani Dead

"The Bombay Chronicle" regrets to record the death of Mr. Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail Sobhani, which sad event occurred at his residence in Souter Street, Byculla on Monday.

Mr. Haji Yusuf, who was 85 years old, had been ailing for the past year and a half. He died peacefully this morning surrounded by the members of his family and a few intimate friends.

The deceased gentleman was a leading member of the Memon community and was, for many years, a prominent figure in the business life of the City.

With his brother he built up a big business in the Cotton Market and acquired the Elphinstone Mills, which his firm ran for a long period with outstanding success. During the past fifteen years or more he had been living in retirement.

BUSINESS RECTITUDE.

Haji Yusuf was not only a man of high intellectual capacity and keen business instinct, but he added to this the virtue of the strongest business rectitude which earned for him the highest respect of the business community of Bombay and brought the firm, of which he was so many years the head into a position of great prominence.

This quality was exemplified, in tragic circumstances, when misfortune overtook the house of Sobhani in a memorable disaster and it was necessary to sacrifice everything to meet its commitments.

Haji Yusuf faced the disaster with a courage and determination to preserve the honour of his firm and family, that served only to increase the respect and admiration in which he was held by his many friends and acquaintances.

Many Charities.

Haji Yusuf was the father of Mr. Umar and Mr. Osman Sobhani, both well-known figures in the commercial community and in politics. The former took a leading part in the Home Rule For India Movement, led by Mrs. Besant, and was later a prominent and active worker with Mahatma Gandhi in the first Non-co-operation movement and retained his interest in politics till his death in 1926.

Mr. Osman Sobhani survives his father along with a number of brothers and sisters born by the third wife of the deceased who also survives her husband.

The deceased was President of the Cutchi Memon Jamat of Bombay and the author of many charities in the city, one of which is the hostel attached to the Anjuman Islam which bears his name.

The funeral will leave the deceased gentleman's residence at 5 p.m. to-day.

HAJI YUSUF HAJEE ESMAIL SOBANI

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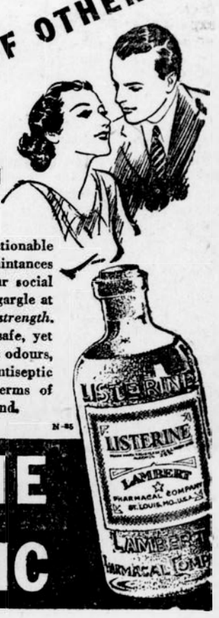

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Applicant For Membership Complains Of Frivolous Questions By Committee Members

Mr. Vrajlal Keshavlal has addressed the following communication to the Secretary of the Stock Exchange Enquiry Committee:—

I want to draw your attention to the necessity of making important changes in the Rules and Regulations of the constitution as regards to the prospective members of the Exchange from the public. I present my case before you as a test case to prove the above necessity.

There was an auction of a Card in December last which I bought. I applied to the Board with necessary form duly filled up and recommended. The Board put up 15 days notice for objections, if any, from the members. There was no objection at all. Thereafter I was called with my recommenders before the Board. I do not exactly know what questions were asked to my recommenders. But I have to object strongly against some of the irrelevant questions and the way in which they were put.

Strange Questions.

Some of the questions by the President: 1. Are you a defaulter? 2. Have you ever settled with your creditors with part-payment? 3. Are you a debtor? 4. By whose money you buy this card?

Questions and remarks by some of the members.

"You come here to join this speculative market leaving your original business (building contract which I left four years before).

Another member retorting:

"Oh, the Building contract business is highly flourishing.

"What is the capital of Bombay Tramways Co. and Telephone Co?"

My suggestion is that the questions of the President should be filled up in application form by the Applicant. As for the questions by the members I think they were irrelevant and discouraging to the qualified members of the public doing other business formerly. If the study of the statistics of all the companies is a necessary qualification for the prospective member, why should not a regular course should be prescribed by the Board and regular examination taken, instead of asking at random one or two questions.

No Reasons Given.

No reasons were given in the letter. I received from the Secretary of the Board informing me of the rejection of my application. On enquiry I learnt about the voting result. It was 9 v 4. I saw the President. He expressed regret for losing my application only by quarter of a vote. He also said that in his opinion, there was no reason, nor could he imagine any reason whatsoever for the rejection of the the application. On enquiry it was found that the application was put to the vote without any discussion. The President asked the members to reconsider and re-vote as the application was lost only by a fractional vote without any disqualification. Some of the members did not wish to have such a precedent.

Mr. W. B. Morison, President of the Bombay Stock Exchange Enquiry Committee

It seems that a negligible minority is in the habit of managing the affairs of the Board by voting without due consideration, under the impression, as if they are managing a private club. The principle that they are responsible to the public and that any member from the public has the full right to be a member of the Exchange, having due qualification according to constitution is totally ignored.

The power of the Board must be restricted to putting relevant questions only, regarding the stability and speculative activity to the applicant while calling in person. The President should be asked to guide in the matter.

Decide By Absolute Majority.

I suggest also that Rules and Regulations must be such that, while rejecting an application the corresponding Rule should be definitely stated to the applicant. If that is not possible the power of discretion to the Board should be restricted as much as possible and working of rules and regulations should be strictly observed.

The President Mr. Shroff tries his utmost to be fair and impartial but some irresponsible members take full advantage of his leniency and good nature in some matters which tell upon the public.

For the benefit of the public and all concerned I would suggest that all matters should be decided by ordinary majority in order to stop the tyranny of the minority.

Where an application of a prospective member is rejected on voting strength only, without any definite disqualification, the applicant should have a right to apply after a period of six months instead of two years.

I shall be glad to give evidence in the above matter if necessary before Your Committee.

"I AM A KISAN MYSELF"

Sardar Warns Peasants Against Mushroom Parties

AHMEDNAGAR, January 23.

A mammoth meeting was held yesterday at Dane Darbara, Swami Sahajanand Bharati presiding. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressed the meeting. Prominent among those present were Messrs. Achyut and Raosaheb Patwardhan, Shankarrao Deo, and Miss Maniben Patel.

Sardar Patel said, "I am deeply grateful to you for the warm welcome that you have accorded me. It is in response to the clarion call of the Congress that I have come here for the first time to tell you what you ought to do when you go to the polls a few weeks hence. Those of you who stand for complete independence will, I am confident, vote for the Congress candidates."

WHAT PEASANTS MUST DO.

"Recently a good many mushroom parties have sprung into existence obviously for electioneering purposes. A Peasants' Sangh is reported to have come into being. Its sponsors claim that only they can represent the peasants. The peasants should not be led away by the promises of these people, but they should stop to think and ask themselves, "What have these gentlemen done to improve our lot?" Upon the answer to this question, will depend the final selection of their candidates. I know what that answer will be. As no other organization except the Congress has been striving ceaselessly towards the betterment of the lot of the ryots, the answer is bound to be, "Vote solidly for the Congress candidates."

"I am myself a kisan! I know the kisan's heart, his interests and his difficulties more than any other man. Therefore I have every right to advise him to cast his vote in favour of a Congress candidate, because it is only he who will sooner or later help him out of the morass of poverty into which he is sunk!"

QUARRELS IN MAHARASHTRA

"Unfortunately, Maharashtra is rent by internal dissensions of a very disgusting nature. Non-Brahmins are at loggerheads with Brahmins. It is a pity that we should thus run down one another and prolong our slavery. Of course the British Government has so ordered things as to accentuate our differences. Maharashtrians should resolve to make Shivaji and Lok Tilak their "patents to live and to die.' They should not deviate from the path which they trod. In conclusion, I hope and trust that you will confound the carping critics of the Congress by voting solidly for its candidates."

MODERN HIGH SCHOOL GETS AFFILIATION.

The Modern High School, Ahmednagar, is granted affiliation by the University of Bombay. The institution is conducted by Messrs Deo and C M. Saptarshi. It came into existence in June, 1935 since when it has been making satisfactory progress under the able headmastership of Mr. V. B. Pathak, M.A., S.T.C., one of the leading luminaries of Maharashtra. The development of the institution in such a short time, is solely due to the sustained efforts of Messrs. Ashtekar, Pinglay, Gitay and Agashe.

Call Of Nations Above Everything Else, Says Gopaldas

ANKLESVAR, Jan. 25.

"Call of the nation is everything and must take precedence over all personal considerations and individual claims" declared Darbar Gopaldas, addressing a well attended meeting of Broach citizens at Bharucha Hall last evening.

He next proceeded to recount Congress anxiety to look after the welfare of peasants and challenged Mr. Haribhai Amin to prove his 'bona fide' as a representative of people, and particularly of cultivators.

Despite the manifold services rendered in the past and making the Congress known in districts he thought that Mr. Amin's activities during the past few years did not show his adherence to the Congress and its programme, making it impossible for the Parliamentary Board to nominate him in absence of clear evidence of his willingness to obey the Congress mandates.

He stated that he deeply regretted making a personal reference regarding Mr. Amin and was indebted to him in many ways because of the open letter addressed by several voters and because Mr Amin was claiming to be a Congressman and stood on independent ticket.

HUGE MAJORITIES FOR CONGRESS

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, President of the Congress Parliamentary Committee has received the following telegram from Babu Sarat Chandra Bose, Calcutta:

"Of 50 General seats the Congress is contesting 48 and expects to win 44. Of 30 Scheduled Castes seats, Congress is contesting 14, and expects to win 10. Of 5 Labour seats the Congress expects to win 4.

"Results already declared show huge majorities for Congress.—Sarat Bose".

ASSERTING MAYOR'S RIGHTS

Nariman Explains Why He Did Not Attend Meeting In Memory Of "Lallu-Kaka"

Mr. K. F. Nariman writes:—

As my absence from the Citizens' Memorial and Condolence meeting held in honour of the late Sir Lallubhai Samaldas is misunderstood in certain quarters, I deem it advisable to clarify the position by making the following statement.

ANOMALY MUST GO

I do not yield to any in the city in my love, respect, reverence and admiration for the most estimable and amiable old gentleman, whom the city had the misfortune to lose some weeks ago. Still I had most regretfully and reluctantly to refuse to sign the requisition to the Sheriff to convene the Citizens' meeting, because, only a short time ago, I had vehemently asserted in the course of a debate in the Corporation on the question of status and right of the Mayor, as a first citizen, as compared with that of Sheriff, who is after all a demi-official and Government nominee, that in order to assert that supreme status of citizenship, such requisitions to convene Citizens' meetings, particularly in honour of such popular leaders like the late Sir Lallubhai, should have been addressed to the Mayor, who would have been the proper person to convene such meetings. I also felt that this mournful occasion of 'Lallu Kaka's' meeting would have been the most appropriate and fitting opportunity to assert that right, because he himself, if alive, as a good and assertive citizen, would certainly have appreciated and approved that position better. Otherwise by addressing a petition to the Sheriff to convene such a Citizens' Meeting, the signatories directly admit his superior civic status and thus create a compromising and embarrassing position in the fight for enhancing and maintaining Mayor's status and right as First Citizen.

I also stated this reason in writing for refusing to put my signature to the requisition addressed to the Sheriff on this occasion, and at the same time expressed my personal tribute and respect to the departed leader.

OPPORTUNITY LOST

I feel that a good and appropriate opportunity to assert the status and position of the Mayor as First Citizen is lost, by following an antiquated and meaningless convention of addressing the Sheriff, a demi-official, to convene a public Meeting of Citizens to honour the memory of a people's man, and this departure in the right direction would have created an important precedent and, at the same time, have removed this Civic anomaly and such a civic episode by itself would have been, in a way, a fitting incident to perpetuate the memory of that great departed citizen.

BYCULLA CONGRESS VOTER'S DUTY

Mr. R. K. Achrekar, President of the 'E' Ward District Congress Committee has issued the following appeal to the voters and volunteers of the Ward:—

The following are the candidates for 'E' and 'F' Ward Constituencies and it is the duty of voters in this Ward to give them solid support at the ensuing elections.

General Constituency—Dr. Gilder and Syt. Jinnabhai Joshi.

Scheduled Caste—Syt. P. Baloo.

Indian Christian—Mr. Joachim Alva.

Muslim—Mr. S. A. Brelvi.

Dr. Gilder, Syt. Jinnabhai and Syt. P. Baloo are contesting from 'E' and 'F' Ward Constituency proper and others for the Bombay City Constituency.

The Byculla Congress Committee has opened their election offices in different parts of the Ward to carry on the election propaganda in support of these candidates.

The Byculla Election Committee appeals to all voters of the Ward to help the Committee by offering voluntary help to approach voters to explain to them the Congress Election Manifesto and thus enlist their support. The need of lady volunteers in this Ward is very great and I request them to help the Committee to carry on the enormous task before them.

Come and endorse yourselves as volunteers in our office and keep up the prestige which our Ward has won during the last Civil Disobedience movement.

No Longer An Honorary Magistrate

News Conveyed To Priest When He Arrives To Preside Over Andheri Bench

A notable omission in the list of Honorary Magistrates appointed by Government to preside over the Courts in the Suburban District, is that of the Rev Father Edward Fernandes, late vicar of Amboli Church, Andheri and presently of the Parish Church at Jacob Circle, Bombay.

His appointment in 1936 to officiate as an Honorary Magistrate caused considerable surprise, as he had relinquished his charge of the Parish at Amboli and had been transferred to Jacob Circle, Bombay.

It will also be recalled that a protest was raised against the appointment in the columns of the "Bombay Sentinel" as it was felt generally that an ecclesiastical dignitary should not burden himself with the duties of a civilian.

The news curiously enough was first conveyed to Rev. Father Fernandes when he had travelled all the way from Bombay to Andheri to preside over the bench of Honorary Magistrates there and the clerk informed him that he was no longer a Magistrate.

It is to be hoped that in future while selections are being made by the authorities due care will be exercised to avoid any clash of duty of the selected individual between his "calling" and his duties to the public.

MOTOR INSURANCE COMMITTEE

I.-G. P. Pleads Inadequacy Of Police Staff To Check Vehicles Often

BOMBAY, Monday.

In his evidence before the Motor Vehicles Insurance Committee today, Mr. G. A. Shillidy, C.I.E., Inspector-General of Police, Bombay, dwelt on the inadequacy of the police staff for controlling traffic.

He also said that it was completely beyond the scope of the present police organisation to check all motor vehicles sufficiently often. He pointed out how owners of motor buses, after using them for some time, sell them to others.

Mr. J. F. Gennings, the Labour Commissioner, explained the present system of paying compensation. He stated that the Law Courts adopted an altogether different principle which caused some delay in paying the amount. As it was it took six months and sometimes even two years.

He was for laying down some simpler principle by which no delay would be caused in the payment of the amount to the wife or other dependents of the injured person.

DROWNING TRAGEDY AT JUHU

Dead Body In Bathing Costume

BOMBAY: Monday.

The dead body of a Parsi, dressed in bathing costume, was found at Juhu Beach at about noon today.

Letters contained in his clothes showed his name as Hormosjee Phirozsha Pardiwala of Princess St.

The Vile-Parle Police are investigating the case.—A. P.

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Doctors in America, and in many other countries too, say that the Vi-Tabs formula is marvelous for those who are old before their time, Run-down, and Worn-out. For instance Dr. T. A. Ellis, of Canada, recently wrote: "Not only does this formula enrich the blood supply of red corpuscles, but it likewise activates the gland system. This is followed by renewed energy and ambition, particularly gratifying to men and women in middle or older ages." And a widely known Italian doctor, Dr. N. G. Giannini, recently wrote: "Tired-out, Frail and Shrunken bodies sorely need the established system building influence of this formula, which works its splendid effects upon the blood, glands, nerves and liver—improves appetite and brings greater strength to weak, nervous, run-down people."

Dr. T. A. Ellis

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BETTER TRAMS FOR BOMBAY

Latest Equipment For Speed & Comfort

Weighing 24 tons, accommodating 96 passengers and carrying the latest equipment for speed and comfort, new "Pullman Trams" are to make their appearance soon in the streets of Bombay.

The first of these cars, built at the B.E.S.T. Workshops at Dadar, under the supervision of Mr. B. W. Peel, the Superintendent of the Workshop, is ready for use. Only the truck of this car comes from England, the body having been built in Bombay.

Representatives of the Press inspected the car at Colaba on Monday Mr. Peel pointed out all the new features of the car and explained wit hpatient courtesy all the safety devices.

The new tram is extremely well-ventilated, fresh air being constantly drawn in the contaminated air being expelled through specially designed ventilators.

The staircases are placed near the doors and go straight to the upper deck. The new tram rides so steadily that one can go up and down the stairs even when the car is in motion without a feeling of either discomfort or insecurity.

The lighting is soft pleasant and in general the interiors with their cream-coloured ceilings and panelled sides, are restful both to the eye and to the body. The springing is very good and the tram moves with less vibration and less sway than any ordinary car or bus.

The controls have been specially designed and arranged for safety. In the very unlikely event of the driver's collapsing in his cab the conductor can himself bring the air brakes into action from one or two places inside the car.

TEMPTED WITH ICE-CREAM

Vendor Sentenced To 3 Years R. I. For Offence Against Minor Girl

Mr Justice Wassoodev at the High Court Sessions sentenced Noor Mahmad Hassan Afzal, an ice cream vendor, to three years rigorous imprisonment on the jury unanimously finding him guilty of obtaining illegal possession of a minor girl for an immoral purpose.

The accused used to sell ice cream at Santa Cruz where he won the confidence of two girls by giving them ice-cream free of charge.

After he had become familiar with them, he took one of them to his house near J J Hospital where he had illicit intercourse with her.

He then sent her back to Santa Cruz to fetch the other girl, which she did. This happened on July 6, 1936.

Two days later, both the girls were arrested by the police at Bandra station under the Children's Act. They were sent to the Children's Home where, in course of investigations, the secretary learnt of the alleged offences.

A complaint was accordinly lodged with the police, charging the accused with obtaining illegal possession of the two girls for immoral purposes and with having illicit intercourse with one of them.

The jury found the accused guilty on the first charge and not guilty on the other charge.

The Consul General for Iraq at Bombay states that cholera inoculation certificates and smallpox vaccination certificates are not now required by the authorities in Iraq from passengers "by air in transit" through Iraq.

City & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Posh Shud 15, 1993
Muslim: Jilkhad 12, 1355
Parsi: Amardad 23, 1906
Hightide: 11-41
Lowtide: 6-03 17-47
Sunrise: 7h 15m
Sunset: 6h. 29m.
Independence Day.
Stock Exchange Inquiry Committee, Secretariat, 12 noon.
Results of M. Sc. Translation Test Examination, University Bldg., 2 p.m.
Bombay Presidency Women's Council: 18th annual general meeting and second conference, University Convocational Hall, 5 p.m. Opening of Exhibition and Sales of Women's Work by Lady Brabourne, University Buildings, South Wing, 5-30 p.m.
Sir Dorab Tata Graduate School of Social Work: Eighth of the series of public lectures by Mr. E. W. Perry on "The Rural Programme of the Government of Bombay." Nagpada Neighbourhood House, Byculla, 6-30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 27.

Bombay Presidency Women's Council Annual Conference, Convocation Hall, 10-30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-30 p.m to 6 p.m. Exhibition and Sale of Women's Work, University Buildings, South Wing, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Open to the public.)
Stock Exchange Inquiry Committee, Secretariat.
Western India Polo Handicap Tournament, Raceccurse, Mahalaxmi, about 3-15 p.m.
Municipal Standing Committee, 4-10 p.m.

Thursday, January 28.

Bombay Presidency Women's Council, Annual Conference, Convocation Hall, 10-30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Exhibition and Sale of Women's Work, University Buildings, South Wing, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Open to the public.)

Friday, January 29.

Bombay Presidency Women's Council: Annual Conference, Convocation Hall, 10-30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Exhibition and Sale of Women's Work, University Buildings, South Wing, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Open to the public.)
Western India Polo Handicap Tournament, Raceccourse, Mahalaxmi, about 3-15 p.m.

Saturday, January 30.

Bombay Presidency Women's Council: Exhibition and Sale of Women's Work, University Buildings, South Wing 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Open to the public.)
S. Narkunda with homeward mails sails at 1 p.m.

BAHUJAN-VIHAR-BUDDHA MANDIR

The opening ceremony of the Bahujan-Vihar-Buddha Mandir at Poilavdi, Parel, will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.), when Mr. Natarajan will preside.

CERCLE LITTERAIRE

M. Yoes Petit-Dutaillis (artist-decorator) will deliver a lecture in French to-day (Tuesday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Cercle premises, 60 Forbes Street, Fort, Bombay, on "This secret vice: Reading." Dr. C. L. D'Avoine will preside.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER

The 29th annual general meeting of the Members of the Indian Merchants' Chamber will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) in the office of the Chamber.

GOVT. DOES NOT RECOGNISE IT

The existence in India of an institution known as the "Chartered University of America" is brought to the notice of the public and they are warned that Government does not recognise the degrees and diplomas awarded by it.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The 18th annual general meeting and 2nd Conference of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council will be held at the University Convocation Hall, from to-day (Tuesday) at 5 p.m. to Friday at 6 p.m..

BOMBAY Y. M. C. A. ANNIVERSARY POSTPONED

The celebration of the 62nd anniversary of the Bombay Y. M. C. A., arranged for January 29th, has unavoidably been postponed to February 5th at 6 p.m. The Governor of Bombay will preside and Dr. John R. Mott, President of the World's Alliance of Y. M. C. A. will deliver an address.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The outward P and O mail steamer 'Maloja' with the mails from London of 14th instant arrived at Aden at 6 a.m. on the 24th idem and left there at 9 a.m. the same day.

In ordinary course she should arrive in Bombay at 4 p.m. on Thursday the 28th instant.

The 'Maloja' will sail from Ballard Pier for Australia at 11 p.m. the same day.

The O S K steamer 'Thames Maru' left Colombo on January 23 and is due to arrive in Bombay on January 27.

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Mummy's Boys" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Tukaram" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
EMPIRE—"Dodsworth" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Man Who Changed His Mind" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Sarla" Time as usual.
MINERVA—"Palit Kusum" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Dharmaveer" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
PATHE—"I'd Give My Life" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Our Relations" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROYAL OPERA—"Izzat" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
REGAL—"Ramona" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
ROXY—"Village Girl" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
WELLINGTON—"Dharmaveer" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
WEST END—"Gay Prince" Time as usual.

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Professor Dr. B. P. Hivale will meet his students in Psychology to-day (Tuesday) at 6-30 p.m. in the Lecture Theatres, South Wing, University Buildings (First floor or ground floor.)

AIR MAIL DELAYED

A civil aviation telephone message states: Imperial Eastbound delayed at Basra. Expected time of arrival at Karachi uncertain.

OPERA HOUSE TIMINGS

The last show of the Opera House (showing Bombay Talkies "Izzat" starring Devika Rani) will henceforth begin at 10-30 p.m. instead of 10-45 p.m.

GATHA SOCIETY

A meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S. T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute (Ravelin Street, Hornby Road, Fort), when Mr. Sorabji Nowroji Kanga will give a discourse in Gujarati on the following subject:

"Fravashis as well as Plato's Ideas are Universals of things and inhere in them. They are co-eval with God."

ELECTION MEETING

Under the auspices of the Bohra Youth League, a public meeting will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 9-15 p.m. in the League's Hall, 129, Abdul Rehman Street, when Messrs. K. F. Nariman, Joachim Alva, Haris, Nomani and Yusuf Maherally will speak on "Ensuing Elections and Muslims." Mr. S. A. Brelvi will preside.

EXCHANGE INQUIRY AND SUB-BROKERS

The Director of Information, Bombay writes: In the summary of evidence appearing in the City editions of the several newspapers of January 22, Mr. E F. Groombridge was reported to have said that he was not in favour of sub-brokers. What he really stated was, that he was not in favour of sub-brokers being allowed on the floor of the Exchange.

GOVT. PRESS EMPLOYEES' PROTEST

A special general meeting of the Government Central Press Employees' Union, Bombay, was held on Saturday, when a resolution was passed protesting against the appointment of members of the clerical staff of the Government Central Press, Bombay, to responsible posts on the technical side, and reiterating hardships suffered by the employees on account of such appointment.

MAYOR'S FAMINE RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Mayor's Famine Relief Fund Committee will be held in the Mayor's Room in the Municipal Office, to-day (Tuesday) at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.) to consider a letter, dated the 21st Jan. 1937, from the Collector and President, District Famine Relief Committee, Bijapur, requesting for a grant of Rs. 20,000 for paying the transport charges of fodder which is urgently required for the cattle in his district.

AIR MAIL POSTAL NOTICE

As the Imperial Airways Eastbound plane due to arrive Karachi on 25-1-1937 has been delayed for 24 hours approximately, the London-India air mails which were due to be received in Bombay on the 26-1-1937 will be received here and issued for delivery by the Bombay G. P. O. at 3-30 p.m. on the 27-1-1937 in the ordinary course.

The latest hours of posting air mail correspondence for Hdyerabad Deccan and Madras at the Bombay G. P. O. will be as shown below:—

Ordinary correspondence: 11-30 hours on 27-1-1937.

Registered correspondence: 11-00 hours on 27-1-37.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Brabourne attended the Founder's Day Service of the Bombay Education Society at Christ Church, Byculla on Monday.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Brabourne attended the Final of the Western India Championship Polo Tournament on the Race Course Ground and Lady Brabourne gave away the Cups on Monday.

The Governor of Bombay accompanied by Lady Brabourne opened the New Hall and Library of St. Xavier's College on Monday.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Brabourne attended the annual dinner of the European Association (Bombay Branch) at the Taj Mahal Hotel on Monday.

LALITA VENKATRAM'S RECITALS

Tempts Prominent Citizens

Mrs. Lalita Venkatram's first public recital at Matunga on Sunday evening was in the nature of a 'command performance' and had all the features usually associated with it The hall was crowded out even before the scheduled time and many including women patiently stood out throughout the programme.

Though it was a recital of mostly tamil and telugu songs the audience was cosmopolitan and contained many of her Radio admirers. Prominent among those present were Mrs. Lilavati Munshi; Miss Enakshi Ramrao; Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, the Mayor of Bombay; Mr. K. F. Nariman; Rao Bahadur Ramaswamy; Mr. K. S. Ramchandra Iyer, V. Subramania Iyer; Mr. K. Natarajan and Mr. N. N. Iyengar

The programme consisted of choice kirtans and the artiste was at her best in rendering "Sankarabharanam" and "Karaharapriya." Some of her songs in lighter vein were well appreciated especially when they were rendered in Veena.

Mr. K. S. Ramchandra Iyer as one of the organisers paid a tribute to the artiste.

Mr. K. Natarajan presented the medal and the purse to Mrs. Lalita on behalf of the Committee.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, the Mayor paid an eloquent tribute to the artiste's talents.

INDEPENDENCE DAY IN CITY

IN F WARD

"Independence Day" will be observed in the F Ward under the auspices of the F Ward District Congress Committee. The following is the programme:—1. Flag Salutation at Motilal Chowk, Parel Village. Mr. Jinabhai Joshi will unfurl the National Flag and Messrs. S. B. Mahadeshwar, L. V. Kondaye, and S. D. Patil will speak. Time 8 a.m.

2. Public meeting near Vithal Mandir, Wadala, at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.). Mr. Jinabhai Joshi will preside and Messrs. S. B. Mahadeshwar, Dr. Gilder, Mr. L. V. Kondave, and Mr. P. Baloo will speak.

AT DADAR

The programme of the Independence Day in G Ward will commence with the national flag salutation at the Kshatriya Union Hall compound, at 8 a.m. The flag salutation ceremony will be performed by Mr. B. G. Kher. The volunteers and workers will sell national flags at the station gates and throughout the important localities.

AT SAITAN CHOWKY

Under the auspices of the G Ward and Suburban District Joint Election Committee, a public meeting will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 8 p.m. at Saitan Chowky to celebrate the Independence day when Sjt. B. G. Kher, Sjt. D N. Wandrekar, Sjt. I. S. Patel, and others will address the meeting.

PRABHAT PHERI

At 6 a.m Prabhat pheri will start from Hanuman Vyayam Shala and will reach Gaumdevi Maidan at 7-30 a.m.

FLAG SALUTATION

Flag Salutation will take place at 8 a.m. in Gaumdevi Maidan and thereafter Congress workers will sell National Flags. Citizens are requested to buy and hoist the flag

MEETING FOR WOMEN

Public meeting of Thana Women will be held at Kesar Wadi at 4 p.m. Mrs. Anna Purnabai Deshmukh will deliver a lecture on "Place of Indian Women in the National Struggle for Freedom.

PUBLIC MEETING

At 8-30 p.m. a public meeting of the Thana Citizens will be held in Hanuman Vyayam Shala. Sjt. K. M. Munshi and Mrs. Lilavati Munshi will deliver lecture on "Problem Before Us."

IN FORT

A public meeting in connection with the Independence Day will be held today (Tuesday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Manohardas Street, Fort.

IN SALSETTE

The Salsette Taluka Congress Committee, Thana, has organised the following programme for the successful celebration of Independence Day.

IN BYCULLA

Under the auspices of the Byculla D. C. Committee, there will be 'Flag Salutation" to-day in the Mahba Building compound at 8 a.m. for the celebration of the "Independence Day."

At 4-30 p.m. a procession will start from Ghorapdeo via Byculla Bridge, Kamatipura Main Street and Congress House and reach Chowpatty.

At 9 p.m. a meeting will be held in Meherpada Compound, DeLisle Road under the presidentship of Mr. Bhai Achrekar Messrs. Jagtap, Yusuf Maherally, P. R. Lele, K B. Kushal and others will address the meeting.

IN SUBURBS

Prabhat Feri will start in the morning.

Flag salutation at 8 a.m. (S.T.).

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

The General Secretary of the Bombay National Guards writes: Members of the Bombay National Guards are required to be present at the Congress House at 7 a.m. to-day (Tuesday) to take part in the Flag Salutation ceremony in connection with the Independence Day.

Mr. V. R. Modak will be in charge of the batch.

The Batch from A Ward should join the procession from the Azad Maidan and reach the Congress House in time for the Flag Salutation ceremony.

All of them should be present in their uniforms on Chowpatty sands at 5-30 p.m. to maintain order at the public meeting in connection with the Independence Day. Mr. K. N. Gaitonde will be in charge of the batch.

ST. XAVIER'S EXTENSION

Governor's Tributes To Institution At New Wing Opening

The elite of Bombay including several distinguished old students of the St. Xavier's College, were present when the new Hall and Library in the new wing were opened by Lord Brabourne, Governor of Bombay, on Monday evening at the College premises.

The Commemoration Tablet was unveiled by Lady Brabourne.

The wing is of Gothic design and competes the quadrangle of the College. It was constructed according to the architectural design of the Principal of the College, Rev. Palacios.

On arrival the staff of the College were introduced to their Excellencies.

Rev. G. Palacios, welcoming the honoured guests, said that Bombay considered St. Xavier's College, as its own and he was glad to see so many distinguished old students, the pride of the City, no less of their College on the occasion.

GOVERNOR'S TRIBUTE.

After the opening ceremony of the new Library and Hall, complimenting the sole architect, Rev. Palacios, on his magnificent and lavish design as symbolic of everything else in the College. His Excellency said theirs' was an institution which had a profound influence on the life of the City. He agreed with their Principal's remark that they cared for quality rather than numbers. He also paid a compliment to the selfless work of the staff which was producing the very best results.

Concluding His Excellency wished continuous success to the College. He looked to St. Xavier's as the institution, which would produce many of the great men for many generations to come. (Cheers.)

Rev. Duhr thanked Their Excellencies. He also paid a tribute to Rev. Palacios, who, he said, was the bulwark of their great institution.

After presentation of flowers by Xaviarite girls to Their Excellencies, to the accompaniment of school band, the gathering dispersed.

In view of Their Excellencies' visit Tuesday was declared a holiday.

Vinoo Mankad Entertained

Vinoo Mankad, who was selected in the last Quadrangular Cricket tournament, was feted and honoured by the Vadnagara Nagar Mandal, Bombay, and other Nagar Mandals and friends of the community at Hirabaug on Saturday last under the Presidentship of Mr. J. L. Mehta, Manager the Bombay Life Insurance Company and was awarded a beautiful silver cup. Mr. H. G. Anjaria, R. P. Baxi, A. B. Jani and others addressed the meeting. Mr. Vinoo Mankad made a suitable reply and stated that all that he was due to the kind patronage of H. H. Maharaja Jam Saheb. With light refreshment and amidst a rush by kiddies for Mr. Mankad's autograph, the meeting ended.

M. R. FREE DISPENSARY

The number of new patients treated at the Mahomedbhoy Rahimtulla Free Dispensary at Sandhurst Road for the week ending 16th January, 1937 was 216, of these 139 were males and 77 females.

KING'S CIRCLE FREE DISPENSARY

The Committee of Management of the South Indian Free Dispensary, Matunga, has decided to change the name of the Dispensary into the "King's Circle Free Dispensary." This Dispensary has always been open to the public without any distinction of caste, creed or community and a large number of patients from all communities are being regularly treated. The change in the name is meant to remove any misapprehension that might have been caused by the original name.

APPEAL TO THANA YOUTHS

Thana youths, are requested to enlist their names as volunteers in the Election campaign at the following centres:

Ward No. 1. D. S. Bajpai, Chendani.
Ward No. 2. D. M. Nadkarni, Karkarali.
Ward No. 3. D. M. Suthar, Agiari Lane.
Ward No. 4. Election Committee Office, Bombay Road, Thana.

City Father's Limitations

If He Is A Lawyer, Can He Appear In Suit Against Corporation? Interesting Discussion Adjourned

The Thana Municipality and Bhandup will get henceforth from the new official year which begins from 1st April water supply from Bombay Municipality at the rate of ten annas per 1,000 gallons instead of at fourteen annas as at present.

The Municipal Corporation refused to make any reduction if the town duties on certain commodities such as grain, flour and ghee, etc., as it would effect municipal revenue to the extent of Rs. 4 lacs in the municipal budget.

LEVY OF TOWN DUTIES

Mr. Mohanlal M. Desai moved to levy Town Duties on certain articles of food stuff as recommended by the Standing Committee.

Mr. Mathradas Tricumji moved an amendment to reduce Town Duty on ghee from 10 annas a maund to five annas a maund.

Mr. Mohanlal Desai said if reduction was made in Town Duty as amended by Mr. Mathradas Tricumji the loss would amount to Rs. 4,17,000 annually.

Prof. V. G. Rao seconded the proposition of Mr Mohanlal Desai.

Mr Soares and Mr. G. G. Morarji thought that if any reduction was made in Town Duty on food stuff, the wholesale dealers would be benefited.

Mr. K. F. Nariman supported the amendment and said the municipality as a self-governing body should levy taxes not only on food stuffs but also on other articles coming into the city which are taxed by the Government but should have been given to the municipality.

The amendment was put to vote and declared lost as only 19 voted for it against 31.

Mr. Mohanlal Desai then moved to tax the Thana Municipality and Bhandup at fourteen annas per thousand gallons as recommended by the Standing Committee.

Mr. Mathradas Tricumji moved an amendment to tax at the rate of only ten annas per thousand gallons which was agreed to.

COUNCILLOR V. LAWYER

The House at an earlier stage considered the report of the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee regarding the question of amending Municipal Act with a view to impose restriction on councillors who are lawyers.

The report recommended the bringing of the Bombay Municipality in the line in which Karachi, Calcutta and Madras municipalities in laying down that no councillor who was a lawyer shall appear in his professional capacity in any suit or legal proceedings against the Corporation.

Mr. Mathradas Tricumji moved the adoption of the report.

"GREAT SCANDAL"

Mr. K. F. Nariman in supporting the report pointed out how in Bombay Municipal Corporation a President of the Corporation used to appear before the Rent Controller some years ago in his professional capacity as a lawyer. There was a great scandal in the city about this lawyer on account of his appearing before the Rent Controller on behalf of his clients and also in presiding as President in the Municipal Corporation. Subsequently to avoid further scandal he allowed his partner to appear before the Rent Controller.

Mr. K. H. Goregaonker said if a partner of a councillor appeared in a contentious matter, the councillor should not be penalised. He thought that the Committee's recommendation went far beyond the original proposition.

At this stage the Mayor adjourned further consideration till Thursday next.

NEW COMPETITOR IN PETROLEUM MARKET

California Texas Oil Co. To Instal Terminals In Bombay, Madras, Calcutta And Karachi

The latest competitor for a reasonable share in the petroleum business in the Indian market, is the California Texas Oil Co., whose President, Mr. Howard M. Herron, arrived in Bombay last Saturday from Bahrein, to organise the business in this country.

In a statement to the "Bombay Chronicle", Mr. Howard Herron said:

"The California Texas Oil Co., Ltd., was organised for the purpose of marketing the output of petroleum products manufactured by the new refinery now being erected in the Bahrein Islands in the Persian Gulf. The refinery will be in operation in July or August of this year and will manufacture a full line of petroleum products.

"As an outlet for petroleum products from Bahrein, and because of the latter's close proximity to Eastern countries, particularly India, the California Texas Oil Co., Ltd., considers it both necessary and logical that it should enter the Indian market and compete for a reasonable share of the petroleum business in the same manner in which the Company is now competing for modest shares of the petroleum markets in practically all countries East of Suez, including Africa, Australia, New Zealand, China and the Philippine Islands.

"Sites have already been leased and plans are now being formulated for the installation of petroleum terminals at the ports of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Karachi, as well as at Colombo, and Ceylon.

"The products from Bahrein will be marketed in India by the Texas Company (India) Limited which Company has been marketing lubricating oils and asphalt in India for a number of years."

PARSI GYMKHANA TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Results Of Matches Played On Monday

The following are the results of matches, played at the Kennedy Sea Face, in the Parsi Gymkhana Open Lawn Tennis Tournament, on Monday.

H. C. Sansoni beat N. D. Sirur (6—1), (7—1).

Miss D. Sansoni beat Mrs. R. Genge (6—4), (6—1).

M. Take beat A. G. Dinshaw (6—2), (6—2).

J. M. Lee beat M. P. Dastur (6—4), (6—1).

S. A. Azim beat G. D. Bhagat (6—4), (6—1).

Mrs. S. Captain beat Mrs. Burgess (6—2), (6—1).

B. D. Dhalla and partner beat V. Stewar. Jacks and O. Stevens (8—6), (6—0).

Miss P. G. Dinshaw and M. P. Dastur beat Mrs. L. Race and H. N. Contractor (6—3), (6—1).

Mrs. R. Johnstone beat Miss M. J. Wadia (6—4), (6—1).

F. R. Ratnagar got a walk-over O. Sutton.

A. C. Suntook and F. F. Vakharia beat V. D. Sirur and partner (6—1), (6—1).

PROGRAMME OF MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

PARSI GYMKHANA COURT NO. 1
3-45 P.M.

R. N Pandit and S. S. Indulkar
vs.
J. M. Lee and A. E. Brown.
4-15 P.M.
B. T. Blake and partner
vs.
M. P. Dastur and partner.
4-45 P.M.
B. D. Dhalla and partner
vs.
B. T. Blake and partner.
or
M. P. Dastur and partner.

COURT NO. 2.
3-45 P.M.

R. C Summerhayes vs. T. Shibata,
4-15 P.M.
R. F. Vakharia and H. N. Contractor,
vs.
M. D. Petit and N. R. Suvarna.
4-45 P.M.
Mrs. W. A. Bell and Mrs. Corbett-Wright
vs.
Miss P. de Lima and Miss T. Dias.

COURT NO. 3.
4 P.M.

G. L. Merchant and K. M. Merchant
vs.
C. W. Owen and D. Stilliard.
5 P.M.
N. D. Sethna and P. Ferozeshaw
vs.
R. N. Pandit and S. S. Indulkar.
or
J. M. Lee and A. E. Brown.

HINDU GYMKHANA COURT.
4 P.M.

M. S. Nemani and R. R. Ruia
vs.
A. C. Suntook and F. F. Vakharia.
or
V. D. Sirur and partner.
4-30 P.M.
S. V. Mozumdar and Gulam Ali
vs.
H. C. Sansoni and partner.
5 P.M.
G. D. Bhagat and I. H. Shirdasani
vs.
H. C. Sansoni and partner.
or
S. V. Mozumdar and Gulam Ali.

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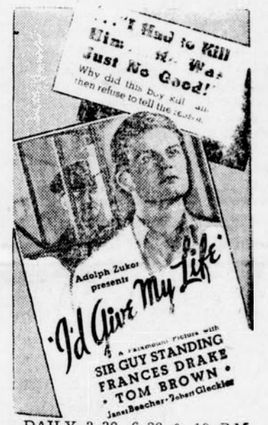
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INDEPENDENCE DAY

The 26th of January is a red-letter day in the history of the Congress. For the last seven years that day has been celebrated all over the country as the Independence Day, when the Congress creed of Poorna Swaraj or Complete Independence is explained to the people at mass meetings and when they pledge themselves to carry on the struggle for independence till the goal is won. The creed is simplicity itself and is both natural and honourable for every country to adopt. It only means that the country is not content with partial freedom as its objective but insists on cent. per cent. freedom or that, in other words, India wishes to be quite as free as any other country in the world is or wishes to be. What can be more natural or honourable? So far as honour is concerned, there is obviously less honour, if not some dishonour, in accepting anything less than complete freedom as the nation's objective. Compromises may be sometimes necessary in politics, but the ideal itself should never be compromised; or a compromise, however necessary sometimes, should not be regarded as an ideal.

Idependence v. Dominion Status

It is so natural for any people to appreciate, more by instinct than by any process of ratiocination, the ideal of complete independence that the workers and peasants of India, who feel most the sting of imperialist exploitation that is inevitable under the restricted independence in any imperial organisation, have had no difficulty in plumping for the ideal and adopting it in their special organisations and in making common cause with the Congress in a joint anti-imperialist front. But the Liberals and other moderates are still wedded to the ideal of Dominion Status. As they do not expressly specify the conditions under which they will be content with Dominion Status, it may be presumed either that they would under no circumstances venture beyond that goal or are too much afraid of the powers that be to speak out their real mind. In any case their attitude is pusillanimous and one of unworthy compromise. Fortunately, the public refuse to follow their lead in this matter as also in their general political programme. The public can have no respect for a party that would stultify national honour by accepting anything less than complete freedom as its creed. As regards the question put to the Congress as to what is to be its attitude towards the British Empire under "Poorna Swaraj," the only answer that can be given now is that the attitude will depend upon that of Britain and of other members of the Empire and the general world situation at the time. It may also be stated now that complete independence does not necessarily connote hostility towards Britain or the British Empire or any other country or Empire.

Reply To Government

This year's Independence Day celebrations are likely to be marked by unusual enthusiasm. That is partly because of the intense political interest created all over the country by the elections for the new legislatures and partly because of the ban imposed by most, if not all, Provincial Governments on the particular Independence Pledge that was proposed to be read and reaffirmed at public meetings. The people will now celebrate the Independence Day with extraordinary enthusiasm, and in one unexceptionable form or other resolve to carry on the struggle for independence with greater determination than ever before. The celebrations in Bombay City include the sale of Button Flags and the collection of funds for the elections. We trust a large number of citizens will purchase the Flags and also contribute generously to the funds. Speaking generally, the Independence Day celebrations are by no means a trivial matter. They are sure to exercise a great and necessary effect on the mass mind and to make the nation's struggle for independence vaster and mightier in the days to come.

Election Puzzles

From the numerous inquiries we have received from various quarters it appears that there is a great deal of misapprehension as to the interpretation of the election rules and voting at the Assembly elections. This is so particularly with regard to the women's constituency and to constituencies where there are reesrved seats either for members of the scheduled castes or for Marathas and backward tribes. For example, many voters—some of them educated and intelligent—inquire whether women can vote for men in constituencies where there are no women candidates and whether men can vote for women in women's constituencies. The position as regards reserved seats is also not clearly understood. There are many who do not know that, under the provisions of Rule 16 (3) of the Government of India (Provincial Legislative Assemblies) Order 1936, in a constituency, where the seats to be filled include a seat reserved for a Maratha or for members of the scheduled castes, when the counting of the votes has been completed, "the Returning Officer shall first declare that one or those of the qualified candidates to whom the largest number of votes has been given to be elected to fill the reserved seat or reserved seats." It follows that if the next candidate also happens to be one eligible for a reserved seat, then he will get the general seat. That is the effect of Rule 45 (e) of the Electoral Rules. Rule 67 (1) reads as follows:—"All persons declared elected at a primary election as candidates for a reserved seat shall, subject to the provisions of this Part, be deemed to have been validly nominated as candidates for election both to the reserved seat as well as to any non-reserved seat in the constituency and the election to such reserved and non-reserved seats shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Parts I, II and IV of this Chapter provided that Rule 15 shall not apply to a candidate elected at a primary election under this Part." Thus in effect if one backward class or scheduled caste candidate comes first, he will be eligible for the seat reserved for that class and if another Maratha or scheduled caste candidate comes second, he will get the general seat, and the third seat being reserved will not be available for the general candidate. This is of importance and must be borne in mind by voters of the "E" and "F" Ward and "G" Ward and Suburban Constituencies.

Another important Rule about voting, which voters should note, is Rule No. 18 (2) which reads as follows:—"No person shall be entitled to be included twice in the electoral roll for any particular constituency, and the fact that person is included twice in the electoral roll for a constituency shall not increase his rights as respects voting therein." We think the Director of Information would be doing a very useful thing if he published instructions on all these points in all the principal languages, so that the voters may understand the position correctly.

Haji Yusuf Sobani

The death of Seth Haji Yusuf Sobani is a loss, not only to the Memon community of which he was the head, not only to the business community which honoured him for his integrity and honesty but also to the whole of Bombay. A good Muslim, a true Nationalist, a great philanthropist, unspoiled by success, undaunted by failure, Haji Yusuf Soobani possessed qualities which earned the respect of all who knew him personally or even by repute. His death recalls the great financial crash in which the Sobani family was involved and the death not very long after, of his eldest son Umar Sobani, whose patriotism and large-heartedness are still by-words in Bombay. He faced both the tragedies with courage and there was something romantic in his grandness in adversity. He is dead. But he has left behind a worthy and proud example of what an Indian, a Muslim and businessman ought to be. The "Bombay Chronicle", which, in its career, had the privilege of intimate relations with his distinguished sons, Umar and Osman, offers its profoundest condolences to Mr. Osman Sobani and other members of the bereaved family.

Our Readers' Views

Communal Unity

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I was pleased to read in your Sunday issue Dr. Jafri's address on the philosophy of Islam which he put in a nutshell in the Prophet's words:—

"God will say on the Day of Judgment. 'Man, I was poor but you did not help me. I was weak but you did not defend me. I was sick but you did not nurse me. If you had helped him who was in need of help, you would have found me in him'."

Compare this teaching of the revered Prophet Mahomed about Day of Judgment with Christ's similar teaching about Judgment Day. An eminent Christian priest says:—

"It is a truth clearly revealed that we shall be judged according to the deeds done in the body, whether they be good or whether they be evil . . . when the Lord gives us the description of the Judgment, he said to his desciples, 'I was hungry and ye gave me food; I was thirsty and ye gave me drink; I was sick and in prison and ye visited me'. It is by your works ye will be judged. O believers, may God enable you to abound in good works."

(Spurgeon's "Sermons on Temptation") Passmore and Alabaster, London.

Similar quotations can be given from other religions also to show that as the Rev. Prof. Momerie of King's College, London, says: "The teaching of the Prophets Mahomed, Christ, Zoroaster, Buddha has always been fundamentally the same."

This being so, how sad is it that ignorant fanatics and bigots foment religious quarrels? These fanatics "not only prefer their own religion before all others but also do utterly despise and condemn all others calling them profane and the followers of them wicked and devilish and the children of everlasting damnation" laments the great and good Sir Thomas More in "Utopia". These bigots should be condemned as raisers of dissension and strife among the people. To be upright, godly, righteous, sober, loving in common life, in business, in politics, in national and international affairs is the common teaching of all religions which is generally practised in dealings with fellow-men will transform this unhappy world into a delightful paradise. This true religion should be taught in schools. It will end communal strife and promote brotherhood.—Yours, etc.,

ZOROASTRIAN.

Rural Uplift

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Rural uplift has become a pet subject of India. I attempt here in brief to give an idea of the nature and scope of Rural Reconstruction. Progress of Co-operation, enough subsidiary occupation, proper methods of cultivation and honest leadership are some of the fundamental factors of any scheme of Rural Reconstruction. Compulsory mass education, starting of farmers' unions and creating 'rural-minded' atmosphere are some of the manifold activities that come under the purview of village uplift. The balance of progress in rural life is directly dependent on the fulcrum of economic progress. The work of Rural Reconstruction can be divided into four main branches viz., (1) Education, (2) Sanitation, (3) Social uplift and (4) Economic progress. In all problems of Rural Reconstruction there should be three essential factors, viz., (1) toleration, (2) service and (3) determination.—Yours, etc.,

BHIKHALAL B. KAPASI.

"No Address To Chief Judge"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I have read the report contained in your Sunday issue of 10th January 1937 under the heading "No address to Chief Judge" and I find the same to be misleading as it seems to convey the impression that the motion was lost by a majority of adverse votes.

The resolution was placed before a special meeting of the Association convened for the purpose and according to the rules applicable thereto the resolution, to be carried required a majority of three-fourths of the members present. This means that members present and electing to remain neutral were taken to have voted against the resolution.

On a count of votes, 83 members declared themselves in favour of the resolution, a small minority voted against, and some members did not vote either way. The ultimate result was 83 for and 52 including neutrals against the resolution.—Yours, etc.

LAWYER.

Our London Letter

Nazi Move In Greece

From Our Own Correspondent

LONDON, January 21.

The forces of reaction in Britain are taking full advantage of the Labour Party's failure to face the realities. It is now understood that having failed to attain their objective by creating difficulties in the path of reaching any assistance to the Spanish Government forces, the Italian and Fascist Governments are now bringing fresh pressure in other directions. It is reported that the technical experts of the Non-intervention Committee (Chairman: Lord Plymouth) have drafted a plan to prevent the Spanish Government from drawing on the gold reserves of the Bank of Spain. Much of this gold, it will be remembered, was removed from Spain and safely deposited abroad during Franco's advance last November. A ban on its use would be equivalent to achieving—with the help of the democratic powers—what Franco and all his Fascist hordes were unable to do. The Non-Intervention Pact, the whole idea of neutrality, by the blockade of a constitutionally established Government and the equal treatment of the rebels, was an entirely new departure in international law. A ban on the gold belonging to the Spanish people being used by its own elected Government would be not only a new departure, but robbery of a most unprecedented type, violating not only international law but all banking practice and internal property regulations. I am told that the proposal came in the first place from Mussolini, and for an interesting reason. Both Fascist powers have advanced to Franco credits of munitions and supplies to an enormous amount. Franco has nothing. Only victory for Franco can save their investment from total loss. But even victory would be a qualified success from the financial viewpoint for the terrible destruction which it would involve and the cost of holding down the Spanish people by force throughout the years would be so great that a Franco Spain would in any case be economically beggared. In this situation Hitler has taken care to look after himself. Without waiting for the result, he has stolen a march on his rival, and is collecting some small return while the going is good. In addition to the mines in Morocco, on which he will probably try to keep a stranglehold in violation of French treaty rights, he is now receiving the whole output, containing both copper and sulphur, of the British and French mines at Rio Tinto, near Huelva. No less than 370,000 tons of ore have been confiscated by General Franco and have been dispatched to Germany.

A British Protest

The amount is becoming so great that English investors are growing worried and the "Daily Telegraph" faithfully squealed their feeling yesterday when it indicated that it is not all honey to have one's copper mines respected by the "Reds" and then confiscated and given to one's trading competitor by "the defender of property." And, Signor Mussolini is squealing, too. It will be difficult, if not impossible for him to steal a good share of Spain's mineral resources now that Hitler is ahead of him. His last chance of a cash return is the gold of the Bank of Spain. Hence his anxiety to stop it being spent. When he made his proposal it was so obviously barefaced robbery that nobody expected it to be taken seriously. The experts would not have dared to prepare a plan, however, if they were not confident that some other government would support the Fascist Powers instead of isolating them in their impudence. The tone of the London report suggests that the British Government is once again with the Mussolini proposal. If this is so, it will be the final proof of the fact that the National Government of Britain is prepared to twist any law or stoop to any open illegality to help Fascism.

Hitler v. Reichswehr

According to another source, British official estimates of the attitude of the German military and political authorities towards the Spanish situation are based not on a general calculation of pro abilities, but on a very straight tip from the intelligence service which claims to be in possession of the exact contents of the report which General Faupee made to Berlin a couple of weeks back. It is understood that five divisions, as the absolute minimum necessary for successful action in Spain is the figure taken from the report. There was a further proviso, according to the same source; the demand for absolute German control of operation was made definitely and completely and as a condition equally essential with the sending of five fully equipped divisions. It was on the presentation of this report that the divergence of view between the Reichswehr, on the one hand, and Hitler on the other, became most acute.

I am told that the suggestion that Dr. Schacht and the Reichswehr high command are absolutely opposed to a military adventure on the lines of the Spanish campaign is not entirely exact. Their opposition, it is believed, has been based on an insistence on the superior and essential importance of Morocco, as opposed to the Peninsular. On the one hand, there is the point of view of its strategic importance; on the other, as a source of raw materials for war-production, Morocco is regarded by these 'Moderates" as an adequate prize and a reasonable objective. To reach out from there to the control of the Peninsular appears to them not only as absurdly dangerous internationally, but also absolutely unnecessary since the principal military objective, particularly the cutting of the route from Africa to France, would already be a path in the control of Morocco. On the other hand, from the viewpoint of the Nazi Party—for whose power at home continual international friction is actually an essential condition—the austerely strategic and economic ideas Dr. Schacht and the General Staff are insufficient. There is a considerable ground for the belief that the piracies of the "Koenigsberg" were intended deliberately to force the hand of the General Staff, the policy of the "fait accompli" being played, in this case, not only at the expense of the rest of Europe,, but also at that of the German General Staff.

Nazi Influence In Greece

Apart from Spain, the British Foreign Office is at present engaged in watching another foreign situation more closely. According to a well informed source, behind Europe's most recent fascist dictatorship, that of General Metaxas in Greece, a number of moves and counter-moves are in progress with a considerable bearing on Britain's position in the Mediterranean. In view of the Anglo-Italian Pact, the situation in Greece now assumes a particular importance. I am given to understand that the German General, Falckenthusen, who is the head of a fairly important Nazi financial group, recently bought up the casino and the whole of the region surrounding the coast town of Lutarki, near Corinth, with the intention, well-informed circles agree, of furnishing a convenient base for German submarines operating in the Mediterranean. At the same time, another German, Col. Hebicht, who is known to have certain connections with the German General Staff, established himself as the "man behind the men behind the Greek War Ministry." Although every effort

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

BLUM'S REPLY

M. Leon Blum, the French Premier, has made a very timely speech at Lille. He disclaimed any intention of making "sensational new economic appeals to Germany" and reiterated his opposition to bilateral pacts and insistence upon indivisible peace. M. Blum's speech compares favourably with the so-called statesmanlike pronouncement of the British Foreign Secretary. Indeed, it constitutes a necessary reply to the latter. But a mere reply will not do where British Tory statesmen are concerned, for it is almost a matter of diplomatic principle with the to evade issues, to profess but refuse to face them. M. Blum will have to be more insistent and practical. He must demand that Britain will fall in line with France as a practical manifestation of allegiance to the League and the League idea in international intercourse. This is rendered all the more incumbent now that the Fascist Powers have almost openly rejected Mr. Eden's offer of international co-operation save on conditions which no member of the League can accept—if he is at all sincere. The "Popular Front," it is true, has justified itself so far. But M. Leon Blum will, we are afraid, have to take a definitely firm stand in international matters if that Front is to be preserved.

THE B. N. R. STRIKE.

The B. N. R. strike situation has not shown many signs of improvement. The exchange of terms between Mr. Giri and the Agent has revealed substantial difference of principles, particularly on the question of conceding to the Union the right of representation in individual cases, the abolition of short time and the reinstatement of "all" workers on which the Union rightly insists. There is some ground, therefore, for the pessimism of the Union officials regarding prospects of a settlement. But, surely, the points of difference are not unsurmountable and have at least been reduced to a bare minimum. With a greater realization of the workers' plight and an appreciation of their just cause, the Railway authorities can certainly find their way to end an unhappy situation. To concede what constitute the ordinary rights of organized workers in other countries is neither an ignoble climb-down nor an injury to the employer's prestige.

UNIVERSITY AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

The Calcutta University has made a modest, but sensible, beginning in the direction of ameliorating the acute middle class unemployment by establishing a "University Appointment Board." The Vice-Chancellor emphasised the point that their main aim was not to find a few more jobs for individuals but "to make arrangements for practical training to equip youths to start business on a small scale or be absorbed in a suitable way by business organizations." This is a commonsense point-of-view, for unemployment can only be solved by creating new openings and not by finding jobs in a few individual cases. The Calcutta University scheme for which a preliminary grant of Rs. 30,000 has been sanctioned cannot, of course, solve the distressing unemployment in the whole province. But it does indicate an effort, on however small and inadequate a scale, to tackle the problem of unemployment on political lines.

A BELATED EFFORT

The University of Bombay, too, is at last to be awakened to a realization of its duty in this matter. A member of the Senate has given notice of a resolution recommending the appointment of a Committee through the report of the Sapru Committee and "to report which of those recommendations can, with advantage, be given effect to by this University." This is a much belated attempt to solve a problem which has been, in some way, acuter in this Presidency than anywhere else. But even this will be welcome if the appointment of the Committee is expedited and its recommendations translated into action without unnecessary delay.

PUBLICITY OFFICER FOR W.I.A.A.

The W.I.A.A. is in want of a Publicity Officer who can also edit their magazine. It is understood that there is a move to employ a European for this post. We wonder if the committee of the W.I.A.A. has diligently searched for an Indian. Surely there are a number of Indians who are qualified to fill this post and it is hoped the Indian members of the Committee would see that a suitable Indian is appointed. The W.I.A.A. is composed not only of European members but also of Indians and some share of office should go to the Indians also.

Students And Politics

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Under the new Constitution, matriculates above twenty-one years of age have been enfranchised. Such students shall have to decide first which candidate deserves their votes in the coming elections. But here a difficulty arises! The educational authorities would have us simply go to the polling stations and vote for a candidate as a dumb and deaf person. "Thou shall not go beyond that" seem they to mean! This sounds somewhat inconsistent so far as the right of franchise is concerned. If the student electorate can enjoy the franchise, equally boldly and legitimately they can hold election-meetings and demonstrations.

I do not realise how students can keep themselves away from politics when it vitally affects their life economically. If the members in the new legislatures are going to decide the educational future of students, it is up to the students to elect such candidates as will prove faithful to them in particular and to the nation in general. And if a student is not allowed to make the best of what is given under the new constitution, he cannot be said to have enjoyed his 'franchise.'

We say, therefore students ought to play their due part in the politics of their country.—Yours, etc.,

S. S. JOSHI,
K. R. PURANIK.
Law College, Poona.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

Regarding the Indo-British Trade Agreement, Sir Mohamed Zafrulla informed Mr. Saxena that Government did not consider it to be in the public interest to give the information as to why Government had decided to continue the old agreement even after the expiry of six months' notice period.

—Assembly Report.

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A shoe was hurled at Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, says a Cawnpore message.

Since nothing happened and the incident passed off we sympathise with the unfortunate instigators.

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On reading the press report of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's call that "India should play her part in shaping the world's history" certain prominent "leaders" condescended to inquire "what and where is the world?"

Need we name them? We needn't.

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"Two forces" added Jawaharlal "are at war in India to-day and I have come here to get strength for one of them".

This re-iteration is bound to be resented by the neutrals as ignoring the great force of their masterly inactivity.

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Mr. Dinkar Desai, a historian, poet and member of the Servants of India Society was not given permission by the Principal, Mr. Jathar, to speak at the Dharwar College.

To complete the story, let's add two more important facts: (1) Mr. Desai has been conducting the Gokak Mill strike and (2) the subject of his proposed lecture was "Place of Vernaculars In Politics".

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague

(1) The new Bill before the South African Parliament to prohibit marriages between Europeans and the coloured people has been sponsored in pursuance of the well-known policy of Imperial Preference.

(2) Sir A. M. K. Dehlavi was, as usual, not serious when he quoted Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as having said that there were only two forces in the country—the Hindus and the Government.

(3) The pro-Congress resolution passed by the Aligarh students was inspired by Doctor Moonje and Bhai Parmanand.

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"Any woman who is married in Church has to go through the indignity of hearing the question, 'who giveth this woman away,'" protests a militant equalitarian of Britain.

But with characteristic feminism the good lady forgets that the joke is invariably on the poor bridegroom.

That, however, is not so important—bridegrooms and husbands never count, of course.

The serious thing is that the lady's denunciatory protest is a challenge to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury. And she ought to know what happens when his Grace is annoyed.

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Question:—Who is an Optimist?

Stout Suburbanite.—One who starts the half-mile race when the train enters the platform.

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Mr. Brown looked at the letter on his desk.

'We are very surprised', it read, 'that the money we have demanded so often has not yet arrived'.

Turning to his secretary, he dictated his reply:

'Dear Sirs,—You do not need to be surprised. I have not sent you the money'.

That Pledge Is Engraved In Our Hearts

Independence Day Resolve

NO POWER ON EARTH CAN EFFACE IT

City Programmes For To-day's Celebrations

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have issued the following communique regarding the 'Independence Day' Programme:

In obedience to the instructions received from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the Indian National Congress, a new pledge of Independence has been prepared by the B.P.C.C. and it will be read to-day (Tuesday) at the public meeting on the Chowpatty Sands. The new pledge runs as follows:

"Once again on this Historic Day, we reaffirm our resolve to achieve Complete Independence for our Motherland. That resolve, solemnly made, years back on the banks of the Ravi, is engraved on our hearts, and no power on earth can efface it. We pledge ourselves once again to do everything in our power, consistently with our creed, so that 'Poorna Swaraj' may soon become an accomplished fact."

CALL TO CITIZENS

We once again repeat the full programme of the 'Day'. We earnestly hope that thousands of citizens will participate in all items of the programme and make the celebration a triumphant success. Our redoubled euthusiasm on this occasion will be a fitting reply to the challenge which Government has thrown at us by putting a ban on our 'Independence Pledge'.

HELP ELECTION CAMPAIGN

Once again we take this opportunity of requesting the citizens to subscribe liberally to the Congress Election Fund by either buying the Election Coupons or the National Flag buttons which will be sold to-day throughout the day by hundreds of Congress volunteers, including ladies. Citizens must not forget that Congress has to fight in these elections against heavy odds, including long purses. A successful election campaign requires lot of money to be spent. The results so far of our collection have been very encouraging. We have every confidence that this enthusiasm will be kept up until all the Congress candidates are successfully returned.

To-day's Programme

6-45 a.m. (S.T.):—Prabhat Pheries from A, B, C, and D Wards will assemble at Azad Maidan (Dhobi Talao end) and form themselves in a procession.

7-00 a.m. (S.T.):—Procession from Azad Maidan to Congress House through the following route.

Azad Maidan, Kalbadevi Road, Bambakhana, Bhuleshwar, C.P. Tank, Vithalbhai Patel Road to Congress House.

8-00 a.m. (S.T.):—Flag salutation at the Congress House.

6-30 p.m. (S.T.):—Mass meeting on the Chowpatty Sands.

Besides, there will be public meetings in various wards.

Donation For Congress Compaign

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee announce the following donations to the Congress Election Fund:—

Rs. 2,000 A Congress Sympathiser.

Rs. 500 Seth Kantilal Bakordas through Sjt. Manilal J. Seth and Maneklal Vakharia.

Rest of the donations will be announced later.

ANSWER NEW CHALLENGE BY VOTING CONGRESS

Protest Against Ban On Independence Day Pledge

The Government ban on the Independence Pledge of 1930 was strongly denounced by several speakers at a largely attended public meeting on the Lal Maidan, Lal Baugh, on Monday evening.

A resolution to that effect and declaring the people's "determination to carry on the struggle against Imperialism and for National Independence with redoubled vigour" was passed.

The meeting was organised by the Bombay Congress Socialist Party. The audience was predominantly of members of the working-class.

A member of the Party Executive Committee, who presided on the occasion quoted Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's statement in the Press. He said that the ban was calculated to be a blow at the Congress election campaign. By issuing the ban the Government perhaps thought that it could divert the attention of the Congress from the election fight and its campaign to break the new Constitution. But the Congress knew its tasks and the President had issued instructions not to fritter away the nations energies in a defiance of the ban, but to conserve and consolidate them for the more important fight against the new Constitution and for the creation of that situation, in which the Constituent Assembly could meet.

ENSURE CONGRESS SUCCESS

The speaker, in conclusion, exhorted the audience to put all their strength in ensuring the success of the Congress in the elections in the City also.

Mr. S. B. Mahadeshwar moved the following resolution.

"This public meeting held under the auspices of the Bombay Congress Socialist Party strongly denounces the unwarranted interference of the Government of Bombay with the elementary rights of the people by banning the reading and publishing of the Independence Pledge of 1930.

"This meeting further declares the people's determination to carry on the struggle against Imperialism and for National Independence with redoubled vigour" was passed.

ANSWER NEW CHALLENGE.

Mr Mahadeshwar in moving the resolution exhorted the voters to answer the new challenge of the Government by returning only Congressmen to the legislatures.

Mr. Charles Mascarenhas seconded the resolution. He referred to the decisions of the Faizpur Congress in regard to the fight against the new Constitution. Immediately after the elections a National Convention would be called composed of all successful Congress candidates to determine the course of action in the legislatures. The Congress fight in those legislatures would be only a reflection of the mass struggle outside. In order that this fight might be the more effective it was the duty of all to see that Congress came out victorious at the Polls.

HARTAL ON APRIL 1.

He also referred to the importance of a 'Hartal' on April 1. the day on which the new Constitution was to be inaugurated. The Hartal would be the first formidable mass opposition to it and he exhorted the workers and peasants and others to organise to make it a great success.

Mr. Sohrab Batliwalla then addressed the audience. He referred to the important role that the working-class had to play in the struggle for freedom. He stressed the urgent need for the strengthening their organisations. He characterised the ban as yet another reminder to the people that they were a subject nation. To get out of the subjection it was their duty to carry on the struggle. The Congress was carrying on such a struggle. It was their duty, therefore, to work for its success.

The resolution was put to vote and carried unanimously.

The meeting then terminated.

ITALIAN NOTE TO BRITAIN

Prepared To Prevent Recruitment For Spain, But...

ROME, Jan. 29

The Italian Note to Britain concurs with the British aims and expresses readiness to legislate to prevent the recruitment and transit of volunteers for Spain. It also agrees to an adequate system of control when other countries have adopted similar measures and to the date fixed by the Non-Intervention Committee.

The Note draws attention to the questions of withdrawing all non-Spanish combatants, political volunteers, propagandists and agitators from Spain, and requests British observations on this subject with a view to restoring the situation of last August.

It also draws attention to press reports in various countries of the so-called mass naturalisation of foreigners serving in Spain, which would be contrary to any authentic policy of non-intervention.—Reuter's Special.

ACCESS TO RAW MATERIALS

Polish Delegation's Suggestions

GENEVA Jan. 25

The Polish delegation, which has been charged with drafting recommendations regarding measures to ensure access to raw material has recommended the appointment of a Committee of Fifteen consisting of Sir Fredrick Leith-Ross, Sir Henry Strakosch, and delegates from Japan, the Soviet, the United States, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Brazil, France, Mexico, Holland, Poland, Portugal and Sweden.

The Committee is designed to include firstly countries with colonies and mandates, secondly those producing important raw materials, and thirdly those lacking raw materials.—Reuter's Special.

GERMANY FOLLOWS ITALY

Plea For Withdrawal Of All Foreign Participants In Spanish War

BERLIN, Jan. 25.

In terms almost identical with the Italian, the German reply to the British note agrees to forbid the despatch of volunteers to Spain simultaneously with other powers.

It suggests an agreement to withdraw all foreign participants in the war in Spain, including political agitators.—Reuter's Special.

CALL TO STUDENTS

Mr. V. H. Pange, the officiating Secretary for the City Bombay Presidency Students' Federation has issued the following:

To-day is the day on which we have to reaffirm our resolve to carry on our struggle for the Independence of India. Fresh fetters are being forged for us. The new Constitution is being ushered in with bans, forfeitures, and many other denials of the democratic rights of the people.

We the students of the city, should stand shoulder to shoulder with the other groups and classes in the country in the struggle of the freedom. To-day let us gather in our thousands at the meetings organised by the B. P. C. C. for celebrating the Independence Day.

TAMIL NADU PLEDGE FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

MADRAS, Jan. 25.

In pursuance of the instructions of the Congress President, the Tamil Nadu Congress office has issued the following resolution for adoption of all meetings on January 26:—

"This meeting assembled on Independence Day resolves to reiterate its determination to achieve Poorna Swaraj or Complete Independence which is the goal of the Indian National Congress, and solemnly pledges itself to work for this end".—A.P.

U. S. SEAMEN'S STRIKE ENDS

Settlement In West Coast Dispute Also In Sight

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.

The Seamen's strike in the Atlantic and Gulf ports has ended.

Majority of strikers voted for settlement which was thereupon ratified.

It is believed that the West Coast strike will soon end.

Strikers and employers are reported to be very near agreement.—Reuter.

Congress Victories

CONGRESS RIVAL WITHDRAWS

CALCUTTA: January 25.

The uninterrupted run of success for Congress nominees in this Province was maintained when, after counting of votes. Mr. J. C. Gupta was declared elected from the Calcutta South Central General Constituency this afternoon. His rival Mr. P. C. Coomar (Independent) had withdrawn from the contest before polling took place, and as such Mr. Gupta's election was a foregone conclusion.

Uptil now, results have been announced of polling in eleven constituencies all over the Province, and out of these, Congress nominees have come out successful in ten constituencies. One constituency—which has returned a non-Congress candidate is the North Calcutta Constituency, from where Congress had nominated Mr. Subash Chandra Bose to contest Mr. J. N. Bose, Liberal Leader. But, owing to persistent ill-health, Mr. Subash Bose decided at the eleventh hour not to go into election fight, and as such Mr. J. N. Bose went in unopposed.—United Press.

CONGRESS VICTORIES IN BIHAR

CUTTACK, Jan. 25.

Two more Congress victories were announced to-day in Koraput from where Mr. Radha Krishna Biswas Roy and Mr. Radha Mohan Sahu were declared elected to the Orissa Assembly defeating their rivals Messrs. Bidyadhar Sing Deo and Balkrishna Patra respectively.

Mr. Biswas Roy polled 3,253 votes against Mr. Sing Deo who secured 1,757 votes. Mr. Sing Deo is son-in-law of the Maharaja of Jeypore.—United Press.

KEEP OFF ELECTIONS

Karachi Port Trust Warns Its Employees

KARACHI, Jan. 25.

The Karachi Port Trust authorities have issued a circular warning the employees from taking any part on behalf of any candidate or party in connection with the elections to the Sind Legislative Assembly.—United Press.

Patna Land-holders' Constituency

PATNA, Jan. 25.

Sir Ganesh Dutta Singh was returned to-day to the Bihar Legislative Assembly from the Patna Division Landholders Constituency securing hundred and fourteen votes as against hundred secured by his rival Mr. Harballabh Narain Singh. Out of the total of 214 votes polled no vote was rejected.—United Press.

Bhagalpur Landholders' Seat In Bihar Assembly

PATNA: January 25

The result of the election contest in the Bhagalpur division Landholders' constituency has been declared Mr. Surya Mohan Thakur has been declared elected to the Bihar Assembly obtaining 67 votes defeating his rivals Mr. Rajniti Prasad Singh (61 votes) and two others receiving no vote absolutely.

Those who go 'nil' are Messrs. Brijendranarain Singha and Abhaya Kumar Singh. 21 votes polled were rejected.—United Press.

VATICAN CITY: January 25.

The Pope spent a better night sleeping some hours without the aid of drugs.

He was more rested this morning.—Reuter.

FLOODS IN ENGLAND

Abnormal Rains Turn Thames Valley Into An Inland Sea

LONDON, Jan. 25.

Rains in many districts are already double the total normal January fall causing widespread floods. From Reading to Richmond, huge tracts of the Thames Valley resemble an inland sea, with swans swimming around the houses and looking in windows. The Eton playing fields and Windsor Castle grounds are inundated. The river Kennet has burst banks, flooding the lower grounds about Reading.

In Kent, Sussex, Bedfordshire and the neighbourhood of Birmingham many main roads are impassable. The Dartmouth lifeboat thrillingly rescued 52 men in pitch dark and raging seas from the steamer "English Trader" which struck the rocks at the entrance of the river Dart.—Reuter.

MILITARY LEADERS BOYCOTT WAR PORTFOLIO

TOKIO: January 25.

The Military Leaders' Conference marked its disapproval of Gen. Ugaiki's premiership by deciding that no general would accept the portfolio of war.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CABINET CRISIS

Army Opposed Emperor's Choice

TOKIO: Jany. 25.

According to "Ashishumbun," the Army do not favour ex-Gov.-Gen. Ugaki and demand that the next Premier must be an entirely new man, free from all political affiliations and capable of carrying through reforms planned by the Hirota Cabinet.

There must be no representatives of political parties in the next Cabinet, which must announce its policy and then dissolve the Diet.—Reuter.

GOERING BACK IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Jan. 24.

Goering arrived at 8 p.m.

Herr Hitler is awaiting him in Berlin.

In view of press declarations that Germany will not accept any political conditions in return for economic help. It is not surprising that well-informed circles declare that Germany cannot accept the contents of M. Blum's speech as a whole, though the friendly tone of speech is welcomed.—Reuter.

BRITISH LOAN FOR FRANCE

London Banks Agree To Announce £50,000,000

PARIS, Jan 24.

There are indications that a short term credit of about fifty million sterling from London banks to the French Government will be concluded by the end of the week. It is understood that there is no question at present of any negotiations for credit loan from the United States.—Reuter.

POPE SPENDS BETTER NIGHT

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 25.

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Sokolnikoff Admits Act Of Conspiracy

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.

Sokolnikoff giving evidence said that he was guilty of plotting to betray the Soviet to Germany and Japan owing to his "defeatist belief" that German Fascism threatened to strangle Soviet.

He thought it preferable to retreat from Socialism and make a deal with Fascists rather than be destroyed entirely.

Asked by the prosecutor whether he thought Germany would tolerate their Government once she was entrenched in Ukraine. Sokolnikoff replied they relied on other capitalist powers to prevent Germany from going too far.

Fire Follows In Wake Of Floods

Three Lakhs Homeless In Ohio Valley

Influenza And Pneumonia Accentuate Calamity

CINCINNATI, January 25.

Fire and explosion added to the plight of flood victims when the Standard Oil Refining Plant caught fire in the morning.

The fire has extended its front three and half miles long and half a mile deep.

A whole street has been destroyed.

Then 50,000 gallon tanks of the Standard Oil Refinery have been blown up and damage to the Standard Oil Works alone is estimated at million dollars.

A state of emergency has been declared. A thousand National Guardsmen have been ordered to reinforce the five mundred already on duty in 350 miles of the flooded Ohio Valley between Ma ietta and Cincinnatti.

The Police Chief has called five hundred volunteers to help to fight the blaze.

A hundred prisoners from workhouse are assisting.

The fires have gutted four major and a score of smaller buildings in the heart of the city's industrial centre and were controlled at 3-30 p.m.

The fires started when a high tension cable fell into flood waters covered with petrol.

Damage is estimated at three million dollars.

A Chicago message dated Jan. 24, says

Floods have not abated. Rain is still general in Ohio Valley.

Nearly three hundred thousand are now homeless and many are ill with influenza and pneumonia.

A Louisville message says. the Mayor has urged all residents to leave the city as the Ohio river is above fifty-two feet and is steadily inundating large areas.

He has appealed railways to provide trains for evacuation.

300,000 RENDERED HOMELESS

Water Sold At Dollar Per Bucket

WASHINGTON: January 25.

Floods are proving the worst in the history of the United States. They cover an area larger than England and Wales. Damage is already estimated at 270 million dollars.

In Louisville (Kentucky) two-thirds of the population of 300,000 is homeless. Water is sold at a dollar per bucket. Town is plunged in darkness as electricity has failed. Whole cities along the Ohio and Mississippi rivers have been evacuated with the help of National Guardsmen with 200 boats. Volunteers rowed through blazing water following bursting of petrol tanks and rescued 40 men and women marooned in two wooden houses in the midst of flames.—Reuter.

MARTIAL LAW IN S. INDIANA

INDIANOPOLIS: January 25.

The Governor has proclaimed Martial Law throughout the flood area in Southern Indiana which now occupies a third of the area of the State.

Troops have commandeered all public buildings for relief purposes. The town of Jefferson has been evacuated the refugees being packed in goods train.—Reuter.

'WORST THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH'

Kentucky Governor's 'S.O.S.' To Roosevelt

WASHINGTON: January 25.

The Governor of Kentucky asked President Roosevelt for troops and engineers to "rule, rescue and reassure". 300,000 inhabitants of Louisville are thrown into panic by the rising floods.

President Roosevelt thereon called an Emergency Conference of Heads of Military and Naval Coastguard Services together with officials of various Civil Relief Institutions and ordered them to place their organisation on war-time basis within next 24 hours.

Red Cross states that situation constitutes the worst threat to public health in the history of American disasters.

Fires Under Control

CINCINATTI: January 25.

Fires which gutted four major and a score of smaller buildings in the heart of the city's industrial centre are now under control. Damage is estimated at three million dollars. Th authorities have declared an emergency holiday and requested conservation of all existing resources.—Reuter.

FOUR YEARS OF NAZI REGIME

Hitler To Reply To Eden In Reichstag Speech On Saturday

BERLIN: January 25

Germany on Saturday will celebrate four years of National Socialism with a great National holiday programme, which includes torch-light parades and a review of the Black Guards by Herr Hitler.

On the same day the Reichstag is meeting at 12 noon (G.M.T.), when Herr Hitler will deliver his reply to Mr. Eden's speech. Herr Hitler is expected to speak for two hours.—Reuter.

MINE EXPLOSION DISASTER

Sixty Killed And 100 Injured In Chile

SANTIAGO, (Chile): January 25.

Sixty were killed and over 100 injured when two wagons, containing powder, exploded in the Copper mines at Chuquicamata.—Reuter.

ANGLO-IRISH RELATIONS

Effect Of Recent Free State Legislation: Premier's Reply

LONDON: January 25.

"The question of the effect of the recent Irish Free State legislation on its relations with the British Commonwealth of Nations is now under examination", said Mr. Baldwin, when asked by Sir Ronald Ross whether the Free State Government's claim to be a Republic as regards internal affairs and a Dominion as regards external affairs was recognised by His Majesty's Government. The Prime Minister added that until the examination was complete, no statement could be made.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, also replying to Sir Ronald Ross, said that in the course of their recent conversations, Mr. De Valera urged strongly that steps should be taken towards the establishment of a United Ireland. No scheme, however, had been put forward, and the matter was not discussed further.—Reuter.

Bombay Must Give Lead To Nation

Congress Stands By Masses And Voters Must Return Its Candidates

At least 90 per cent of the voters must come to the poll to ensure the success of the Congress candidates, declared Mr. K. F. Nariman, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, at a public meeting held under the auspices of the "A" Ward District Congress Election Committee, at Dwarkadas Lane, Fort, on Monday night.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President of the "A" Ward District Congress Committee presided.

NARIMAN'S APPEAL.

Mr. Nariman said that in the Bombay South Constituency, comprising of the 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' Wards, there were nearly 170,000 voters and if all the Congress candidates were to be returned at least 90 per cent. of this number should go to polls. He appealed to the voters not to be carried away by minor considerations but to distribute their votes among the three candidates equally so that all the three candidates might succeed. He was sure that if the voters observed these instructions scrupulously, there would be no question of defeat of the Congress in this constituency.

Mr. Nagindas T. Master said that within a few days, there would be a test of the loyalty of the people towards the Congress and he had no doubt whatever as to the result. India as a whole remained loyal to the Congress and he was sure that Bombay would again give lead to the rest of the nation, as she had done in the past. Congress had won the loyalty of the people because the Congress stood for the masses and worked for them. All over the country people knew that Congress came to their rescue in the past and would come to their rescue in future as well. It was not too much to ask the people, therefore, to support the Congress.

DON'T BE MISLED.

Mr. S. K. Patil said that the people should realise that Congress was the only organisation which could effectively demand national freedom. No other party in this country could have a similar claim as was evident from the attitude of the Government in this country towards the Congress.

Mr. Patil said that various questionable methods were adopted by the opponents of the Congress, but the voters should not be misled by these.

Mr. Ganpati Shankar Desai said that the Congress organisation in the Ward was trying its best to approach every one of the 170,000 voters and odd, but they should realise the difficulty involved in the task. He appealed to the voters not to misunderstand the Congress candidates if they did not personally meet each voter. It was the duty of the voters to go to polls and express their confidence in the Congress by voting for Messrs. K. F. Nariman, N. T. Master and S. K. Patil, the three Congress candidates.

Sirdar Pratapsingh and Mr. Ambalal Talakchand also addressed the meeting.

BEWARE OF TEMPTATIONS

Teach Fitting Lessons To Communalists By Voting Congress

Voters were warned against temptations that might be offered for the sake of their votes, at a public meeting of workers held at Chinchbunder on Monday night under the auspices of the Mandvi Ward Congress Election Committee. Mr. R. E. Achrekar presided.

Mr. Nagindas T. Master said that people of Bombay responded enthusiastically to the message of the Congress in the past and had set an example to the rest of the country. He appealed to the voters to go in their thousands to the polling booth and vote for the Congress candidates. He appealed to the Muslim voters to vote for Mr. Brelvi, who, more than any other Muslim in the City, had always upheld the cause of the poor and the wage-earners.

Mr. S. K. Patil exhorted the voters to remember the great and the noble example of Shivaji and his Mavlas, who preferred the thorny path of freedom to that of ease and luxury under subjection. Congress had shown the path of winning national freedom and Congressmen had shown what sacrifices they were prepared to make for the sake of their country. Sacrifice and national service could not be bartered away and voters, who might be approached to offer their votes for other considerations should teach a fitting lesson to those persons, who might attempt to resort to such practices.

Mr. Ganpat Shanker Desai exhorted the voters to do their duty by the Congress.

BEWARE OF COMMUNALISTS.

A young Congressman, who returned from the moffusil areas very recenty, exposed the pretensions of the so-called Non-Brahmin Party. The Non-Brahmin leaders, he said, pretended to champion the cause of the masses, but in reality they always stood by the Government, regardless of the fact that their action might not be in the interests of the people. It was to keep out such pretentious people that the Congress was contesting the elections.

He said that voters should not be deceived by the communalists who exploited the ignorance of the people for selfish purposes.

A volunteer band was in attendance throughout the meeting and provided music at intervals.

POLLING IN PUNJAB CONCLUDES

Keen Contest In Women's Constituencies

LAHORE, Jan. 25.

The sixth and last day of polling in Lahore to-day was reserved exclusively for women. Hindu, Muslim and Sikh women dressed in colourful garments exercised their franchise, while hundreds of non-voters gathered round the polling booths to see their mother or sister exercise her new privilege. The festive note was heightened by numerous processions of women, mostly Congressites, marching on foot carrying the Tri-colour and singing National Songs.

The Hindu women polled for Lahore City General as well as the Women's constituencies, Muslim women polled for both Lahore outer Muslim men's and women's constituencies and Sikh women for Western Towns (Sikh) constituency.

AT LAHORE

The keenest contest was between Srimati Parvati Devi and Srimati Shannodevi and a whole army of women agents were working for each. Begum Shah Nawaz (Unionist), who was a member of the Round Table Conference, and Begum Ghulamjannat (Ahrar), were candidates for the Outer Lahore Muslim Women's Constituency, and as on Saturday there was a regular stream of Muslim voters. Many were in veils and some were carrying infants in their arms.

There was not much excitement in the polling for the Sikh constituency in view of the limited number of voters in Lahore for this constituency.—A. P.

NO Rs. 500 SALARY LIMIT?

Govt. Veto Madras City Corporation Council's Resolution

MADRAS, Jan. 25.

The Government has vetoed a resolution by the City Corporation Council appointing Mr. Bhagvantam Gupta to act as Revenue officer of the Corporation for a period of three months on a salary of Rs. 500.—A.P.

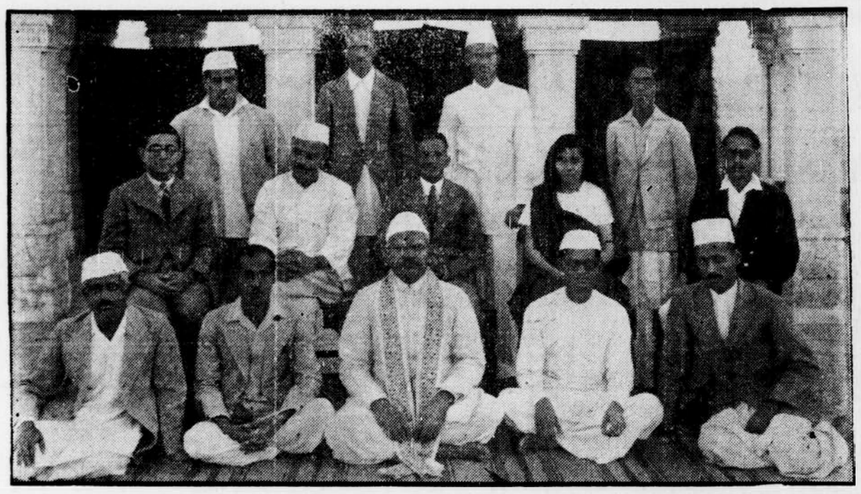
Mrs. Naidu For Lucknow

LUCKNOW: January 25.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu is reaching Lucknow to-morrow in connection with Congress election campaign. —United Press.

The name of Sir Geoffrey Bracken, Finance Member of the Government of Madras, is prominently mentioned in connection with the appointment of a chairman for the Sugar tariff Board, which is expected to be constituted shortly.—A.P.

Maharaj Kumar Rajkishore Nath Sah Deo (Independent) has been declared elected to the Bihar Legislative Assembly from Chota Nagpur Division, Landholders' Constituency securing 25 votes against 23 secured by his rival, Mr. Maheshwari Prasad Narain Deo (sitting Independent). 31 votes were rejected and four not counted.—A. P.



A group of successful candidates who studied Hindi in the classes organised by the Youth Lodge of the Theosophical Society in Bombay and passed the "Rashtravisha ad" and "Chunav" examinations this year. Third from left in centre row is Mr. Narayan Ullal, President, Youth Lodge, with Mrs. Perin Ben Captain, Secretary of Hindi Prachar Sabha, Bombay, on his left.

Unpleasant Shock To Assembly

Viceroy's Powers Under New Rules

Important Ruling Of Chair At Last Session Nullified

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, January 25.

"Is it democracy or empty formality?"

I heard this question in the Assembly Lobby to-day, when the House rose after an 80 minutes sitting. A strangely desolate appearance was presented by the Chamber—attendance of members when the President entered being just over 50. I found over 40 benches empty and, with defficulty, was able to spot out about 12 elected Indian members, who had among them the five redoubtable Knights, Mody, Cowasji, Yakub, Ghaznavi and Yamin Khan.

Contrary to expectations the President made no statement on the unprecedented situation, which had arisen owing to Congress' abstention and went through the agendas as if nothing had happened.

Unpleasant Shock

An unpleasant shock also awaited members this morning in the shape of the Gazette Extraordinary imposing new Rules regarding adjournment motions. According to one section of Lobby opinion, it would have been more graceful if the Governor-General had given an opportunity to the Assembly to express itself before issuing the new Rules.

Unfair To Chair

Another objection relates to the Rule empowering the Governor-General to disallow a motion even before the President had admitted it. It was only last September that the President gave a ruling that the Governor-General could disallow a motion only after the President had admitted it on the ground of the fact that a large section of the House desired a discussion on a motion. it is hardly fair to the Chair of the House that in effect an important ruling of the President should be nullified by the issue of an arbitrary Gazette Extraordinary.

Dull Question Hour

It looked as if the question hour would break down within 20 minutes. Messrs. Lalchand Navalrai and Das, along with Bhai Parmanand, were the only members of the Congress Nationalist Party present. Mr. Das gallantly came forward to fill the breach and kept up a steady flow of supplementary questions for over half an hour. He was, however, so much dissatisfied with the answers from the Commerce Member that at one stage he cried out "If I cannot get better answers from Government I shall stop putting supplementary questions".

Whereupon Mr. Joshi added ironically 'That is what they want.' This was the only breeze of the day's short sitting.

Seth Bajoria raised the question in the course of supplementary questions, why no Indian was associated with the Wedgwood Enquiry but Sir M. Zafrulla brushed it aside saying "that does not arise".

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai muttered "Nothing seems to arise".

COMMERCE COMMITTEE.

An interesting motion passed today in view of the past history of the subject is the election of three non-official members to the Standing Committee on Commerce.

It may be remembered that the Assembly rejected the motion last year on the ground that as the Committee never met for the last two years, it served no purpose.

SHAUKHAT ALI UNDETERRED.

Maulana Shaukhat Ali's adjournment motion on official interference in the United Province was the only one to survive but as it was covered by Dr. Khan Sahib's resolution coming up on the 29th instant ruled out by the Chair. "Big Brother" is however undeterred by his failure to-day, for he told me in the Lobby that he would give notice of an amendment to Dr. Khan Sahib's resolution and deal with the subject on the next non-official day.

VICEROY'S POWER OVER PRESIDENT

Adjournment Motion Can Be Disallowed Before President's Decision

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

A Gazette Extraordinary has been issued, embodying certain amendments to the Legislative Rules.

This lays down that motions for adjournment should not only be handed over to the Secretary of the Assembly, but must be delivered to the Government Member-in-Charge of the subject matter.

Further, it empowers the Governor-General to disallow adjournment motions, either before or after its admission by the President.

Besides, the Governor-General has been empowered to disallow motions even by telegrams, when he is out of the station.—United Press.

Proceedings In Detail

NEW DELHI Jan. 25

In the Assembly to-day after swearing in of new members a number of elected members took their places including Bhai Parmanand, Murtuza Saheb, Sir Mahomed Yakub and Sir A. H. Guznavi.

The house then proceeded to questions and disposed of the whole list—of which notice has been given for the session namely 236 in record time of fifteen minutes.

This was rendered possible owing to the absence of Congress and Nationalist Parties, whose members had given notice of 200 questions out of the entire list. Answers to questions were, in the absence of the questioning member, placed on the table of the House and no supplementary questions arose.

Even in cases where questioners were present there was no disposition to press supplementary questions, although on a question of Dr. Ziauddin regarding the terms of reference of the Wedgewood Enquiry Committee Mr. Bajoria attempted to raise the issue of the non-inclusion of Indians in the Committee.

Sir Mahomed Zafrullakhan said that this did not arise from the original question.

Mr. Joshi referred to the losses of the railways and said that this was due to the neglect of the Third Class passengers and he hoped that the Wedgewood Committee would pay particular attention to this point.

Sir Mahomed Zafrullah said that all matters of this nature would certainly come within the purview of the Committee's enquiry.

INDIA AND KING'S ABDICATION

There was a reference to the abdication of King Edward during the question hour when Sir Mahomed Yakub said that there was a widespread feeling of resentment in India because India had not been consulted on the question of abdication and he asked if Government proposed to communicate this feeling of resentment to the Secretary of State, adding that it was the unanimous desire of the country that on important matters affecting her prestige and position in the Empire, she should be consulted and should have a voice like other members of the Commonwealth.

Sir Henry Craik replied "The Government are not aware of any such widespread feeling on the subject that it is necessary to represent it to the Secretary of State. The Government fully appreciate the desire of India to be consulted on important matters affecting the empire but in this particular case consultations were necessarily limited to the strict requirements of the law".

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

After the question hour Sir N. N. Sircar rose to move a resolution of condolence in respect of two members who died since the House dispersed in Simla, these were Maulvi Haji Badiussaman and U Ba Se.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir associated the Independent Party with the resolution and the President endorsing it said the resolution would be conveyed to the relatives of the deceased members.

The President then called on the four members who had given notices of adjournment motions to move them. Of these members three were absent namely Mr. Mohanlal Saxena, Mr. I. K. Moitra and Mr. Satyamurti and the motions in their names therefore lapsed.

TO CENSURE GOVERNMENT

The fourth member Maulana Shaukatali then rose to move the motion standing in his name censuring the Government for alleged interference by officials in the provincial elections in Moradabad.

The President referred the member to the Government of India Gazette extraordinary issued yesterday laying down the rule that a member moving a motion of adjournment is now required to give notice not only to the Secretary of the Assembly but also to the Government Member concerned. The Secretary of the Assembly had received the notice from Maulana Shaukat Ali but the Government Member had not received it.

Sir N. N. Sircar intervening said that in this particular case he was prepared to waive notice.

The President, however, pointed out that there was already a resolution on this subject pending before the House which had been carried over from the last session of the Assembly and was down for discussion on the 29th.

Maulana Shaukatali justified the present motion on the ground that elections were already in progress and the matter was urgent.

The President, however, ruled Maulana Shaukatali's motion out of order.

PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

The President announced that the following members would form the panel of chairmen.—Sir Mahomed Yakub, Mr. Satyamurti, Sir Leslie Hudson, Sir Cowasjee Jehangir.

The House then quickly disposed of the legislative business.

Sir Frank Noyce introduced two bills the first to amend the Indian boiler Act 1923 and the second to amend the Indian electricity Act 1910.

Sir James Grigg introduced a bill to amend the land customs Act 1924.

On Sir N. N Sircar's motion the House agreed to the recommittal to a select committee of his bill to amend the civil procedure code 1908 for certain purposes (insertion of new section 44/-A) the committee to report on or before the 8th February.

Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai moved consideratnon of the bill to amend the Lac Cess Act 1930 necessitated in consequence of the separation of Orissa. The bill was passed.

SOLITARY CONGRESS M.L.A.

The solitary member of Congress Party to make his appearance in the Assembly Chamber to-day namely Dr. Deshmukh then entered and presented the Select Committee's report relating to the Hindu womens' right to property bill. Immediately after presenting the report Dr. Deshmukh hurried from the Chamber and there was some laughter when Mr. Navalrai interjected: "You cannot leave the House." The House adjourned after sitting for an hour and 25 minutes, and will meet to-morrow. —A. P.

Unofficial Advisers Not Consulted

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Replying to Mr. Mohanlal Saxena the Railway Member, Sir Mohamed Zafrulla, said that Government had decided not to exercise the option of purchasing the Bengal and North Western and the Rohilkhand and Kumaon Railway Companies lines on 31st December next.

Regarding the Indo-British Trade Agreement, Sir Mohamed Zafrulla informed Mr. Saxena that Government did not consider it to be in the public interest to give the information as to why Government had decided to continue the old agreement even after the expiry of six months' notice period.

This decision had been arrived at shortly before it was communicated to the Assembly on 17th September 1936. Unofficial advisers were not consulted regarding this interim agreement the effect of which would be continuation of the Ottawa Pact temporarily pending the conclusion of a fresh agreement for which negotiations were in progress.

Sir Mohamed Zafrulla added that the interim agreement involved no change in position vis-a-vis other Empire countries.

Trade Agreement

Asked as why a new agreement could not be concluded in time to replace the Ottawa Pact the Commerce Member said that the necessary preliminary steps such as consultations with local Governments and commercial bodies as to the lines on which it was considered desirable to conclude a new trade agreement with His Majesty's Government and scrutiny of the replies received did not allow sufficient progress to be made with the negotiations within the period of notice.

It was not possible to calculate at present the period that might be required before the new agreement was concluded.

King's Visit

Regarding the King's Visit to India Sir Henry Craik told Mr. Saxena that decision regarding the King's visit to India depended upon His Majesty's pleasure. No decision as to when the King may visit India had yet been communicated and no estimate of the expenditure had been made.

Asked if Government proposed to consider the advisability of advising His Majesty to give up the idea of the proposed visit the Home Member replied in the negative.

PAYMENT OF WAGES ACT

To Come Into Force On March 1?

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

It is understood that the Payment of Wages Act may come into operation on March 1 next. This date is now under definite consideration and arrangements are being made accordingly.

HAJEE YUSUF HAJEE ESMAIL SOBANI

A Short Life-sketch

Hajee Yusuf Hajee Esmail Sobani was born at Bombay in 1852. He was educated at the Goculdas Tejpal High School and joined his brothers' piecegoods business in 1870. He went to Europe for the first time in 1893 in connection with his business and thereafter 5 more times. In 1901, he purchased the Elphinstone Mills and from that time onwards devoted his energies to the fostering and developing of indigenous industries. He also owned the Apollo Mills Ltd. and the Luxmi Flour Mills.

IN THE CORPORATION.

He entered the Municipal Corporation in 1895 and continued to be a member for several years. He was also a member of its Standing Committee.

In co-operation with the late Justice Mr. Badruddin Tyabjee, he was one of the founders of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Bombay, of which body he was for five years Honorary Secretary. He was later elected its President and later still made its Patron. He founded the Sobani Hostel at the Anjuman, in memory of his father, and the Siddique Sobani Library in memory of his eldest son and also established the Sobani Science Laboratory and a Library for its students.

He was a great patron of female education and established the Sobani Purdah Girls School as early as 1883. This school he conducted at his own cost until 1923, when he handed over its management and made a gift of the valuable building situated at Zakeria Musjid Street to the Anjuman-i-Islam.

He was keenly interested in the All-India Muslim Educational Conference and took great interest in all its activities. He rendered considerable assistance to H. H. the Aga Khan in collecting funds for the Aligarh Muslim University.

Along with the late Sir Abbas Ali Baig he was one of the founders of the Dar-ul-Ulum Boarding School for Muslims at Panchgani.

Since 1934 he was President of the Cutchi Memon Jamat of Bombay.

All the High Schools conducted by the Anjuman-i-Islam and the Chakla Cloth Market were closed on Monday.

The Ziarat ceremony will take place at 25 Soutar Street, Byculla, at 9 a.m. to-morrow, Wednesday.

(News of death on page 3).

NO RIGHT TO CANCEL ADOPTION

An interesting point as to the right of an adoptive parent to cancel the adoption of a child, among the Jain community, was decided by the Chief Justice and Mr Justice N. J. Wadia at the High Court in disposing of the appeal filed by one Supdabai and another against Maneckchand Tarachand and another, who were the defendants in the lower court.

It appeared that one Gopabai adopted the first defendant Maneckchand as her son in 1925. Later she was dissatisfied with him and, by a deed executed on June 22, 1929, she purported to cancel the adoption on the ground of improper behaviour on the part of the boy. She announced her decision to the "Panchas" who were summoned. Subsequently her action having been challenged, she filed a suit in the court of the Additional First Class Sub-Judge of Jalgaon claiming, "inter alia", a declaration that the adoption by her of the first respondent had been validly cancelled by her and, therefore, he was no longer entitled to certain properties.

The suit having been dismissed by the trial judge, Gopabai filed an appeal in the High Court. After the appeal was filed she died and thereupon the present appellants were brought on record in her place.

In the course of their judgment their Lordships observed that the Jain community was governed by the Hindu Law, under which an adoption once validly made could not be cancelled by the adoptive parent on the ground of improper behaviour. The plaintiff, therefore, had to establish a special custom prevailing in the Osval Jain community to which she belonged. The evidence, however, did not establish any such custom. If, however, any custom was established it was to the effect that an adoption could be cancelled in this community after taking the consent of the Panchas and on the terms, which they might impose. In this case, however, there was no evidence adduced or any text book cited which suggested that an adoptive parent had the right of cancelling an adoption at his or her own will without the consent of the Panchas or contrary to any terms, which they might impose. The facts of this case disclosed that Gopabai had not taken the consent of Panchas before cancelling the adoption. Their Lordships, therefore, held that the cancellation of the adoption was not valid and dismissed the appeal with costs.

Facts About Industry, Agriculture & Labour

Indigenous Sugar Industry In South Kanara

A Co-operative Enterprise: Its Scope And Its Limitations

By K. U. KINI

Tucked away in a corner of South Kanara, is a small village with a population of not more than 5,000 people. This village, named Kalyanpur, is fast developing into a centre of sugar manufacturing industry. There is now a sugar factory, a "jaggery" mill, run by the local Co-operative Society, the first enterprise of this kind in the whole of the Presidency and further ground is being marked out it is stated in some quarters, for the erection of another sugar factory.

This village, spanned by a river, is surrounded by small islets whose soil is particularly congenial for the growth of sugar-cane. Near the river bank, tall shady cocoanut trees, like the feathered cocoanut groves of Malabar, add charm to the panorama.

During this season, the premises of the factories are choked full of sugar cane, of red and purple hue, and all the twenty four hours they are crushed and turned into sugar or "jaggery". In the sugar factory, however, molasses are wasted, as no bye-products are being manufactured.

In the islets, where sugar-cane is grown petty growers sell their sugar cane to the factories and eke out their living. During the rest of the season, the Co-operative Society to which is affiliated the Growers' Society, will be busy manufacturing on hire system coir, coir-mats, gingelly oil and copra.

THE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

This Society which is called the Udipi Co-operative Agricultural and Industrial Society has got for its objects, "inter alia", the installation of plants for extracting cocoanut and gingelly oil, manufacture of "ghur" and other similar items of work" with a view to securing the members of the society the maximum return from their agricultural operations and the purchasing of raw-materials and appliances as may be required for coir and coir-mats".

Before the manufacture of sugar began—and it was only a couple of months ago that the sugar mill sprung up—these growers used to get "jaggery" manufactured in the village factory, run by the Society, and market out their own products, as there was no middleman.

But now, due to the rise of the sugar mill, there is a tendency on the part of the growers to sell the sugar cane to the factory. This involves less profit for the growers and the tendency to sell the sugar-cane can be accounted for by the paucity of markets that can be had at present, as Kutch Mandvi and Forbunder—their main markets at one time—are manufacturing "jaggery" locally.

But if the growers can find a suitable market so as to counteract the dangers of overproduction, then the three varieties of "jaggery" manufactured in that village, namely, "ghur" (tin) "cube" and "ball" will bring in more profits into the pockets of the petty growers, without in any way hindering the growth of sugar industry. As over-production of sugar cane in the locality is being apprehended and "jaggery" is still being manufactured without a suitable market, growers will be hard hit and will continue to live under the same conditions until the industry is made a more paying one.

Sheth Laxmidas Mulraj Khatau, President of the Bombay Millowners' Association for the new year.

Alleged Official Terror Against Harijan Candidate

Soman Complains To Bombay Govt. But Latter Still Consider Matter

SATARA, January 25.

Mr. R. G. Soman, M.L.C., President, Congress Parliamentary Board, Satara District, has released for publication through the "United Press", the following correspondence that passsed between him and the Bombay Government, in respect of the alleged "terrorising methods" of the Harijan candidates, by the Government authorities:—

Mr. Soman wrote on the 17th January as follows to Sir Robert Bell, Home Member to the Government of Bombay:

"I hereby request you to take notice of the following fact which, in my opinion, requires your immediate attention. You know that the Indian National Congress has put forward several candidates, both ordinary and those belonging to the 'Scheduled Classes.' I happen to be the Chairman of the Congress Parliamentary Board of the Satara District. The Central Board of the Congress has adopted some six candidates from the Satara District including one belonging to the Scheduled Classes. The Local authorities of the District seem to have taken into their heads to require certain of these candidates to be present before them and make statements as to their status, and income of the "Inam-Vatav" and other kinds of landed estate belonging to them.

"It was only in the last week, probably on the 14th January, 1937 that the Scheduled Class candidate Mr. Savalram Bala Karande from Panchganj in Wai Taluka of the Satara District was called by the Mahalkari of Malcam Peth through the Village Talathi and his statement regarding to his status and his Inam income, etc., was recorded and the candidate was made to sign the statement.

Show Of Terrorist Method.

"I do not know whether it is the general policy of the Bombay Government to make such inquiries about the Congress candidate and particularly during the period, when the election campaign is proceeding in right earnest.

"If it is so, then this policy of the Bombay Government appears to me objectionable, as it is likely to create an adverse vote against such a candidate by such false show of terrorist methods. But if it is not the policy of the Bombay Government themselves and it is only the over-zeal of Local authorities that is responsible for such an action, it becomes the duty of the Government to take serious and immediate notice of such actions on the part of the local authorities.

"There are also rumours that are being spread among the voters by interested persons that Government or more particularly the local authorities contemplate similar action in case of other 'Congress' candidates also.

"Will you kindly, therefore, be pleased to take immediate action to check such an imprudent display of over-zeal on the part of the local authorities?

"Hoping to hear from you in reply."

Government's Reply.

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Political and Reforms Department, replied as follows:—

"I am directed by the Governor-in-Council to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 17th January, 1937, on the subject "The Forthcoming Election", addressed to the Honourable the Home Member and to state that it is receiving attention."

Mr. Soman has sent the above correspondence to Mr. Asaf Ali, M.L.A., Chief Whip, Congress Party in the Assembly, and has requested him to discuss this matter by a short-notice question, in the Legislative Assembly.

It may be noted that, Hon'ble Khan Bahadur D B. Cooper, Finance Member, Bombay Government, is one of the candidates for the Satara District North Rural Constituency.—United Press.

DHARWAR PRINCIPAL BANS LECTURE

Red Posters In Belgaum Make Police Nervous

(From Our Correspondent).

DHARWAR: (By Mail).

Mr. Dinkar Desai, the well-known historian and poet and a member of the Servants of India Society, who has been conducting the Gokak Mill Strike, had been to Dharwar to collect funds for the relief of strikers, where he was approached by the Secretary of the Karnataka Association of Dharwar College to speak on the "Place of Vernaculars in Politics."

Mr. Desai had agreed to address the students, but the Principal, Mr. G. B. Jathar, did not allow him to do so.

Parley Meeting.

It is announced that the Karnataka Provincial Congress Parliamentary Board will meet in Dharwar on the 27th instant to consider election prospects in the whole province and to determine the detailed tour programme of leaders. Pt. Nehru, Babu Rajendra Prasad, Sjt. M. N. Roy and Sardar Vallabhbhai, Sjts. Hosmani and Diwakar are touring in Dharwar district. Reports from all quarters show that Congress candidates are getting full support everywhere.

Red Posters.

Great sensation prevails in Belgaum, especially among the student world, by the appearance of Red posters early this morning on lamp-posts at different places addressed to students of Belgaum College. It is issued by persons calling themselves as "Red's Association!" It makes reference about socialism and communist party.

It is understood that police have taken note of it and are making enquiries. No arrests have been made so far.

MOTOR VEHICLES INSURANCE

Safety First Association Suggests Amendments

BOMBAY.

None but certified financially sound Insurance Companies should be permitted to engage in the business of Third Party Insurance, in the opinion of the Safety First Association of India. This was stated recently by Mr. A. S. Trollip who gave evidence on behalf of the Safety First Association of India before the Motor Vehicles Insurance Committee of the Government of India which is meeting in Bombay at present.

The Safety First Association of India further considers that the accounts of all companies undertaking Third Party Insurance should be audited regularly by Government and if any unsatisfactory features are revealed such companies' names should be removed from the approved list of Insurance Companies licensed to deal with this class of business.

Also, the present practice whereby the public are left to make their own assessment of Insurance Companies' Balance sheets is unsatisfactory since an ordinary member of the public is not able to determine whether a company has made adequate provision for all outstanding dues.

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE.

The Association also suggests the investigation of the advantages of the appointment of a Commissioner of Insurance who would ensure proper compensation in cases of accident, particularly to ignorant people who would not be likely to be able to assess the amounts due to them.

The Association advocates the institution of regular compulsory motor vehicle inspections to be carried out on each licensed vehicle twice or thrice a year. In support of its plea for the establishment of a Motor Vehicle Inspection Bureau which would test the most important safety factors of each car and certify its fitness for the road, the association states that a growing number of cities in the U. S. A. have adopted the scheme and the British Ministry of Transport is considering it. In the cities where the scheme is in operation the number of accidents and therefore casualty insurance has steadily diminished. Good repair shops, it is added, are strongly in favour of the plan for it enables owners to test the effectiveness of their repairs.

Finally, the Association urges uniform legislation for all vehicles operating in British India.—A. P.

Manufacture Of Storage-Batteries As A New Industry

Different Factors Of Production Analysed And Cost Estimated

By M. Mazumdar, B.S.E., (Mich.)

We, as engineers, shall say—"Without industrialising the country we cannot survive and must die of starvation. India is being bled white; live-stock industry or Charkha alone will not save us from unemployment, poverty, disease and death. We must industrialise our country, nationalise our existing industries without the slightest delay".

Any industrial undertaking requires capital, labour, raw materials and power. Sales or market of the industrial product must be also kept in sight and, as India has been flooded with foreign made goods and as every one of them is bidding to sell cheap, any industrial undertaking should have an out-look to take up mass production which will enable it to compete.

As for the industry under consideration, — manufacturing Storage Batteries we shall analyse it under different headings as follows:—

USE.

Storage batteries or lead acid accumulator types of batteries are used in (1) motor cars, (2) power house, (3) Radio, (4) Train lighting, (5) Aeroplanes, (6) Railway signalling (7) submarines, (8) mine lamps, (9) Electric trains and (10) Electric vehicles.

Storage batteries are something like reservoirs of electricity which you can use at times when you require and store it for future. We shall mainly consider motor car and power-house batteries in the following discussion.

HUGE CONSUMPTION.

Goods classified under Accumulators and batteries, in the Customs report show the total consumption in India to be nearly five lacs of rupees every month. There are fifty different companies dealing in motor cars and electric goods in Madras, Calcutta, Bombay and elsewhere, who are importing different makes of batteries for storage and motor cars. India has got nearly 2 lacs of motor cars, taxies and buses and this number is increasing in leaps and bounds every year. Obviously these cars have to fitted with new batteries every eighteen months and there is a huge demand for this class of batteries. Next to this in importance are the power house batteries. It will be interesting to note here that the Hydro-electric scheme in your Province can be only successful and useful to the public when cost of storing of electricity will be comparatively cheaper than at present. Thus any impetus given to Hydro-electric schemes should call forth immediate establishment of this industry.

RAW MATERIALS.

The necessary raw materials are (1) lead, (2) Antimony. (3) Red lead, (4) Litharge and fitters, (5) Sulphuric acid, (6) Wooden or glass material, (7) rubber and composition material (8) Sulphuric acid. India has got tremendous resources for these raw material. We are looking at present towards Japan England and America for Antimony, Red Lead and Litharge. But during last war we used to produce these locally in the British firms. Report of the Dept. of Industries for Madras Province shows that we have got unexploited lead and antimony mines, barytes and other minerals, Rubber-fields, etc.

LABOUR.

Indian labour is the cheapest in the world. As skilled labour is essential in this industry, it would employ thousands of the unemployed young men. A medium size factory in New York making about 100 motor car batteries a day of 8 hours employs 100 hands—including engineers, assistants, mistries and clerks. With maximum efficiency of their machineries they cannot curtail the cost of labour because this industry requires inspection at every step or operation. Indian labour is intelligent and can be trained up to be skilled. Therefore, labour problem is in our favour to start such an industry. We have in our factory in Calcutta the labour assistants, who are as quick as Americans if not more. I hope the same will be true with Madras labour.

POWER.

This industry comes under electro-chemical industry and electricity is treated as raw material. Naturally electricity should be obtained very cheap. Electricity is cheapest when the source is a Hydro-electric unit. We hope that electricity in Madras will be the cheapest when the Hydro-electric plants are put into operation. In Calcutta where coal is the cheapest in the world we are getting power for industrial purposes at half-anna per unit. Even with this cost per unit, the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation now give a dividend of 16 per cent. to the shareholders. I do not see any reason why Madras Government as a solvent capitalist to finance hydro-electric schemes should not be able to sell power at quarter anna per unit on less. A few things should be kept in mind in order to popularise electricity (1) Electrical industries should be sponsored and developed financially; (2) Departments should not be too heavy, mostly Indians should be employed; (3) no favouritism should be shown to particular consumers; (4) mixing up of accounts for different cities should not be allowed. No doubt Government undertaking is on sound financial basis, but it should not be done only with a view to purchase British machineries. The key to success of Industries is the production of power at the cheapest rate and the transmission of this power to near by cities. Mettur Project seems to be a local unit, but power from Niagara Falls in America is transmitted to 1,000 miles away to industrial cities.

SUBSIDIARY INDUSTRIES.

The parent industry of manufacturing batteries depends on various other subsidiary industries such as (1) Rubber industry, (2) Wood veneering, (3) Heavy Chemicals Industry, (4) Glass Industry.

Save the Sulphuric acid plants, the proposed parent industry shall have to have all other branches to supply the main requirements. Thus we differ from other industrial countries where side industries have developed into independent industries and their by-product can be utilised in the main industry thus the cost is reduced considerably. Considering motor car batteries as our first product, scheme for a self-contained factory can be as follows:

COST.

Approximate working estimate for making 100 batteries a day 30,000 batteries per year.

CAPITAL OUTLAY.

	Rs.
Building and land	25,000
Machineries	80,000
Gas, Electric fitting, Furniture execution cost	10,000
Working capital	185,000
	Rs. 300,000

MANUFACTURING COST ESTIMATE.

Manufacturing cost of 30,000 batteries	
Batteries per year at Rs. 8 each	240,000
Office & other expenses	22,000
Selling & advertisements	20,000
	282,000

ESTIMATED PROFIT.

Selling price at Rs. 15 average	450,000
Total cost for same	282,000
Gross profit	168,000
Less special reserve 10 p.c.	30,000
	138,000
Less income tax supercharge 10 p.c	30,000
Net profit available for dividend	108,000

Dividend more than 33-1/3 per cent. on capital free from Income-tax.

SAFETY DEVICE FOR RAILWAYS

Invented By Austrian Engineer, Now In Bombay

A new safety device for automatically stopping railway trains has been invented by Mr. George Kofler, an Austrian engineer, who is now in Bombay.

The apparatus consists of a lever connected to the signal.

The lever is mounted about 12 feet above the top of the rail, and fixed to the signal mast.

The locomotive carries a device on its roof and when the train passes a "stop" signal, the lever comes down, automatically brakes the train and sounds a warning to the driver. It is claimed that the device can be fitted without excessive expense.

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON 1 POINT UP

Silver Steady But Wheat And Base Metals Weak

BOMBAY, Jan 25

On Monday cross rates ruled quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON QUIET

New York cotton was slightly easy on Liverpool weakness at first but prices recovered later. The undertone was quiet.

SILVER STEADY

London gold was quiet but silver was steady.

WHEAT WEAK

Wheat and other commodities were weak.

SECURITIES NEGLECTED

The London Stock Exchange lacked interest with practically nothing doing. Giltedged securities were also neglected.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1937

New York, Jan 25

Previous closing	12.47
To-day's opening	12.44
Difference	-03
To-day's closing	12.48
Difference	+01

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1937.

Liverpool, Jan 25

Previous closing	6.91
To-day's opening	6.89
Difference	-02
To-day's closing	6.88
Difference	-03

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May ..... Rs. 225

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Jan 25

Cotton continued to be overshadowed by the absence of any announcement with regard to the quantity of loan cotton to be released with the result that movements were confined to a narrow margin while destructive floods and auto strikes are not without their influences on the general price trend.

Trading in March commenced at 12.44 i.e. 3 points lower than previous closing. Prices declined on lower Liverpool cables which induced scattered liquidation and outside selling but further decline was checked by good absorption by trade with March ruling at 12.43.

New York cotton finally closed at 12.48 with a rise of 1 point for March delivery.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan 25

The following were the opening ranges:—

March	(12.46/12.44) 12.45/12.44
May	(12.28/12.27) 12.31/12.30
July	(12.17/12.17) 12.17/12.17

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Jan 25

The following were the rates at 12-15 p.m.:—

American January	(6.94) 6.90
American March	(6.91) 6.88
Egyptian January	(9.80) 9.75
Egyptian March	(9.95) 9.90

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, Jan 25

Broach cotton for April May delivery moved between Rs. 224-6 and Rs. 224-2 at night. The rate at 9-30 p.m. was Rs. 224-6.

LONDON MARKETS

London, Jan 25

The rates at 3-30 p.m. were as follows:—

METALS

Tin (£230 buyers £230 1/4 sellers. Dull) £226 1/2 buyers £226 3/4 sellers. Easy

Lead (£26 15/16 buyers, No sellers) unquoted

Electrolytic Copper (£57 1/2 to £58) £56 to £57

Glasgow Iron (£87) £87

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay Jan-Feb. (£14 1/2 sellers) £14 1/2 sellers

Linseed Calcutta January February (£14 3/16 sellers) £14 3/16 sellers

Linseed La Plata January (£11 3/4 sellers) £11 3/4 sellers

Groundnuts Coromandal February (£15 3/4 sellers) £15 9/16 sellers

TEA

Indian Pekoe (1-0 1/4) 1-0 1/4

Indian Pekoe higher (1-2 3/4) 1-2 3/4

Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-2 1/2) 2-2 1/2

JUTE

New Crop January February (£18 3/8 sellers) £18 1/2 sellers

Dunlop February (£22 1/4 sellers) £22 1/4 sellers

Ceylon Pekoe (1-0 1/2) 1-0 1/2

Lightning February (£20 1/2 sellers) £20 1/2 sellers.

RUBBER

Spot (10 3/16 buyers) 10 3/16 value

Forward April June (10 1/8 paid and buyers) 10 1/8 paid and buyers

BROWN BOLD LINSEED

May 1937 Delivery

Bombay, Jan 25

(Through Bombay Grains and Seeds' Association).

	Rs. a. p.
Rates at 11-0 a.m.	7 8 0
Rates at 12-0 noon	7 8 0
Rates at 3-0 p.m.	payment
Rates at 5-0 p.m.	7 8 6

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATES

Latest Quotations

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON.

New York, Jan 25

Previous closing	4.90 13/32
To-day's opening	4.90 9/16
To-day's latest	4.90 3/4

(At the time of New York cotton closing.)

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK.

London, Jan 25

Previous closing	4.90 5/16
To-day's opening	4.90 3/8
To-day's closing	mutilated.
Difference	

FRANC RATE.

London, Jan 25

Previous closing	105.16
To-day's opening	105.16
To-day's closing	mutilated.
Difference	

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Jan 25

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.90 3/8 and then declined to 4.90 5/16 subsequently improving to 4.90 7/16 on local support.

Franc opened at 105.16 and then appreciated to 105.15 with a steady tendency.

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, Jan 25

The following cable information was received from London to-night.

"India bought. Speculators sold. Buyers satisfied. Market quiet."

LONDON SILVER

London, Jan 25

	Last Quotation	Today's Quotation
Spot	20 3/8d.	20 7/16d.
Forward	20 1/4d.	20 5/16d.

LONDON GOLD

London, Jan 25

Gold Bars fine per ounce (£7-1-10) £7-1-9 1/2

DISCOUNTS

London, Jan 25

3 months (9/16 to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 to 9/16 per cent.

4 months (9/16 to 5/8 per cent) 9/16 to 5/8 per cent

6 months (5/8 to 11/16 per cent) 5/8 to 11/16 per cent

CROSS RATES

London, Jan 25

3-30 p.m

London on Bombay (1-6 5/32)	1-6 5/32
Paris on Bombay (7.950)	7.945
New York on Bombay (37.06)	37.07
Berlin on Bombay (0.92 1/8)	0.92 1/8
London on Milan (93.15)	93.18
London on Shanghai (1-2 5/8)	1-2 19/32
London on Kobe (1-1 31/32)	1-1 31/32

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Jan 25

Liverpool wheat opened firm with March at 100 1/4 and May 101 5/8. Contrary to expectations the market early displayed decidedly better sentiment but later prices showed an easier tendency with easier freights and large world's shipments causing liquidation.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Jan 25

Chicago wheat opened steady with May at 1.28 1/4. Prices displayed steadied tendency on scattered support but otherwise there was nothing to stimulate enquiry.

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Jan 25

	Rs. a. p.
Wheat	5 7 9
Wheat September	5 6 0
Linseed May	7 8 3
Linseed September	7 11 9

The tone was steady.

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotations

Bombay, Jan 25

	Rs a. p
Silver ready	50 9 0
Silver 1st settlement	50 9 0
Silver 2nd settlement	50 5 0
Gold ready	35 1 6
Gold 1st settlement	35 1 3
Gold 2nd settlement	35 1 0
Sovereigns	22 5 6

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Jan 25

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £96 1/4 as against the previous closing at £96 3/4.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Jan 25

After being firm the demand slackened. Markets generally were quieter. Oil shares were firm. Industrials were generally undecided. Giltedgeds and Indian loans were weak.

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£83 1/2) £83

3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (£106) £105 3/4

4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 7/8) £107 7/8

5 per cent Funding Loan (£115) £114 7/8

3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£104 7/8) £104 5/8

4 per cent Victory Bonds (£113 3/4) £113 5/8

INDUSTRIALS

British Celanese 2nd Preference (17-0) 17-0

Marks and Spencer Ordinary (91-10 1/2) 91-10 1/2

Hydro Electric (dol 10 1/2) dol 10 1/2

Musical Industries (23-3) 23-3

Princhin Johnson (54-6) 54-6

Imperial Chemical (41-6) 41-10 1/2

Woolworth Ordinary (86-4 1/2) 86-10 1/2

Realisation 1930 (£98 3/4) £98 3/4

Dunlop Rubber (35-9) 35-9

Unilever Ordinary (44-9) 44-9

Ford Motors (32-0) 32-0

Cables and Wireless (£7) £7 1/8

British American Tobacco (133-1 1/2) 133-1 1/2

Carreas A (£11 7/8) £8 5/8 Ex Rights

Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (170-0) 170-0

P and O S N Company Deferred (32-0) 32-0

Distillers (120-0) 120-6

Bredfords Dyers (10-6) 10-6

British Celanese (9-0) 9-0

J and P Coates Ordinary (54-1 1/2) 54-1 1/2

Courtaulds Ordinary (57-9) 57-9

Fine Cotton Spinners (13-0) 13-0

Vickers Limited Ordinary (35-0) 35-0

Inter Nickels (£65) £65

Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (45-0) 45-0

Tata Iron and Steel (£104) £104

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotation

Bombay, Jan 25

5-0 p.m.

The 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper was quoted at Rs. 98-0-0 at 2-0 p.m. The closing quotation at 5-0 p. m. was Rs. 98-3-0.

INDIAN LOANS

London, Jan 25

4-30 p.m.

3 per cent New Indian Loan (£100) £99 1/2

3 1/2 per cent Indian (£96 3/8) £96 3/4

4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£114 1/2) £114

4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£118 1/2) £118

4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£109) £108

5 per cent Indian 1942/47 (£113) £113

3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954/59 (£105 1/4) £105

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

3 per cent Australian Loan 1945-70 (£108 7/8) £108 5/8

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (20-0) 20-6

Donaro Tea (45-6) 47-6

Empire of India (30-7 1/2) 31-0

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (43-0) 43-0

Gula Kelampong (56-3) 56-3

Rubber Plant Inv Trust (41-10 1/2) 41-10 1/2

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£11 1/4) £11 1/4

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (60-0) 60-0

Burma Corporation (16-7 1/2) 16-7 1/2

Rio Tintos (£23) £22 3/4

East Rand Proprietors (81-9) 80-0

Rand Mines (9 1/8) 9 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£16 1/4) £16 1/4

Geduld New (£10 3/4) £10 3/4

New Moddars (£32 1/2) £32 1/2

Sub Nigel (£13 5/8) £13 1/2

Spring Mines Split Shares (39-4 1/2) 39-4 1/2

Union Corporation (£10 1/4) £10 1/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (53-9) 53-9

Anglo Iranian (111-3) 111-3

Burma Oil (116-3) 116-3

Musical Eagle (30-7 1/2) 30-7 1/2

Shell Transport (£135 5/8) £135 5/8

Royal Dutch (£46 1/8) £46 1/2

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£61 1/2) £62 1/4

L and S Ordinary (£31 7/8) £32 3/4

L N E R Defd (£5 3/8) £5 3/8

Southern Dutch (£25) £26 3/8

London Paris 5 per cent (£132 1/4) £132 1/4

London Transport 'C' Stock (£96 1/4) £96 1/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Jan 25

The following were the opening rates.

General Motor (dol 66 1/2) dol 67 1/8

Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 54 3/4) dol 55 5/8

U S Steel Common (dol 87 5/8) dol 87 1/4

U S Steel Preference (dol 145) unquoted.

(Continued from Column 5.)

Rosa	6 13 0
Gola	6 11 0
Hargaon	6 10 0
Baheri Kesar	7 4 0
Naoly	6 12 0
Daurala	7 5 0
Begamabad	7 4 0
Shamli	7 0 0
Bikramganj	6 13 0
Cawnpore	6 7 9
Gootaiya	6 10 0
Juggilal	6 10 0

PRICES SLIP BACK IN STOCK EXCHANGE

Commodities And Base Metals Easier

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Jan 25

On the Stock Exchange to-day early promise of increased activity failed to materialise and markets returned to their previous listlessness with the majority of prices tending to slip back. Among oils V.O.C. were sharply firmer on news of the strike settlement.

Commodities and basemetals were easier on lack of interest, especially tin. Cocoa recovered sharply in sympathy with New York. Rubber was firmer in sympathy with New York and there was some bear covering.

Wall Street was irregular and then steady.

KARACHI MARKET REPORT

KARACHI, Jan 25

To-day's closing quotations:—			
Cotton Sind March	20	6	3
Punjab March	18	6	6
American March	23	8	0
Tone. Quiet.			
Wheat January	30	9	0
March	30	15	6
July	28	10	0
Tone: Steady			
Toria February	37	14	9
March	39	2	9
Gram January	22	13	0
July	22	2	3
Cottonseed January	17	3	0
March	17	8	0
May	17	14	0

JUTE SHARES STEADY

Coals Fully Steady.

CALCUTTA, Jan 25

Jutes ruled steady at the decline and only limited trading is reported. The undertone in coals kept fully steady, but business was restricted to some extent. Teas were practically neglected. Miscellaneous disclosed no fresh feature. Government securities were easier. Following were the closing quotations:

Government securities: Three per cent Government Paper 89/4 small odd lot; three and half per cent loan 1947/50 106/4; three and half Government paper 98/2; four per cent loan 1960/70 114/1; five per cent loan 1945/55 120/1; five per cent loan 1939/44 107/14 small lot; five and half per cent loan 1938/40 106 12 small lot; four per cent Punjab Loan 1948 110/4

Bank: Reserve Bank 133/4 ex div.

Railways: Burdwan Cutwa 94; Darjeeling Himalayan ordy 96; Howrah Amta 134 small lot; Hoshiarpur Doab 101; Mayurbhanj 71/8

Cottons: Bengal Nagpur ordy 16/4; Bengal Nagpur pref 134; Kesoram 4/7; New Victoria ordy 1/8

Coals: Amalgamated 26; Bokaro and Ramgur 15; Churulia 1/10; Equitable Rights 6/4; Nazira 9/6; New Beerbhoom 14/8; Raneegunge 34/4; Rewa 22/8; Sanole 1/12; South Karanpura 7/14; Bengal 307/8; Burrakur 16/8 small lot; Ghusick and Muslia 2/12; New Manbhoom 52/8; Standard 34/8 odd lot; Talcher 2/8; Anglo India 401; Bharat 26/3; Birla 18/4; Champdany 166; Clive 25/8; Hukumchand ordy 11/12; Hukumchand pref 111; India 336; National 23/7; Rameshwars pref 12/4; Presidency 4/5; Reliance 74; Waverley 2/6.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corporation 11/13; Indian Copper Corporation 4/1; Tavoy Tin 4/6; Bengal Aerating Gas 86; Agra Electric 154; U P Electric 211/8; Bengal Telephone ordy 21; Burn and Company ordy 309; Indian Steel and Wire ordy 298; Indian Steel and Wire defd 233/8; Indian Standard Wagon 56/8; Indian Iron and Steel 30/10; Marshall 3/1; Saran Engineering 16; Associated Hotel ordy 5/8; British India Corporation 3/14; Ganges Rope 315; Dunlop Rubber ordy 14/2; Dunlop pref 104 small lot; Indian Wood Products 27/11; Kalimpong Ropeway 13/14; Ivan Jones 3/2; Publicity Society 6/14; British Burma Petroleum 6/13; British Ceylon Corporation 8/8; Indo Burma Petroleum ordy 133; Moola Oil 3/2; Tide Water Oil 12/14; Indian Paper Pulp 164 small lots; Titaghur Paper ordy 23 small lot; Titaghur Paper defd 9/14; Midnapore Zemindary 99; Indian General Navigation ordy 131; Cawnpore 30/12 small lots; Champaran 19/9 small lot; Hasimara Tea 43/6 small odd lot.—A. P.

PRICE OF RUBBER

International Committee Regains Control Sequel To U. S. Strike

LONDON, Jan. 25.

To-morrow's International Rubber Committee meeting is not expected to produce undue excitement. Well-informed circles express the opinion that the Committee, aided by the strike in the United States, is well on the way to regaining control of prices, and the question of what will be the Committee's policy when complete control is regained is now uppermost.

The "Financial News" points out that it is at least known that the Committee at present frowns on a price in excess of ten pence half-penny owing to the danger of consumers accusing producers of making unreasonably large profits. The choice therefore, appears to rest between nine pence and ten pence half-penny, with the Committee probably fairly well content, if the price keeps within this range. Producers at any rate will not fare badly on a 75 per cent quota, with a selling price at around nine pence half-penny. Large, efficiently managed and moderately capitalised concern would do extremely well on this basis, and even marginal producers would earn moderate profits.—Reuter's Special.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

James Mackintosh and Coy's s.s. Alice Moller of 3-45 reg. tons Capt. E. P. Coleman arrived on 23rd inst. from Bassein via Rangoon with cargo of rice.

Volkart Bros.' s.s. Silverbeech of 3096 reg. tons Capt. E. Palma arrived on Sunday from New York via Cape Town, Durban, Delogoa Bay, Batavia, Singaport and Colombo with passengers and general cargo.

Turner Morrison and Coy.'s s.s. Islami of 3617 reg. tons Capt. T. R. Dow arrived on Sunday from Jeddah via Fort Sudan and Aden with passengers and cotton cargo.

British Hired Transport s.s. Lancashire of 5863 reg. tons Capt. C. A. Harris arrived from Hongkong, Singapore and Colombo with military officers and troops.

Scindia S. N. Coy's s.s. Jalaganga of 3080 reg. tons Capt. W. Dry, arrived from Calcutta with Cargo of coal.

Killick Nixon and Coy's s.s. City of Hongkong of 6041 reg. tons Capt. H. L. Walton arrived from Karachi with passengers and general cargo.

B.I.S.N. Coy's s.s. Nagina of 4090 reg. tons Capt. J. Endersby arrived from Middlesbrough via Port Said, Suez and Bhavnagar with passengers, cotton, bonemeal, groundnut seed and oil cargo.

DEPARTURES

Graham's Trading Coy's s.s. Innesmoor of 2645 reg. tons Capt. J. D. Roberts sailed for Liverpool and Manchester via Karachi with local cargo.

LOADING

The following steamers booked for loading on 25-1-37.

S.S. Reichenfels (L.E.) for Europe and American Ports via Marmagoa and Karachi.

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, Jan. 23.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dol.
Amr. Water Works Com.	28
Amr. Gas and Electric	46
Amer. Power and Light Pfd. 5 p.c. A	68
Electric Power and Light	23
Consolidated (Gas) Edison	50
Columbia Gas	19
American Tel. and Tel.	183
Western Union Telg.	81 3/4
New York Central Rly.	42 1/2
Southern Pacific Rly.	49
Union Pacific Rly.	130
Amr. Tob B.	98
Bethelehem Steel	78
Republican Steel	32
United States Steel	87 1/2
Pittsburgh Screw and Bolt	17
Amr. Car Foundry	64
Anaconda Copper Mining	54 1/2
Int. Nickel of Canada	64
General Motors	66 3/4
General Electric	63 1/4
Kelvinator	21
Radio Corp.	12
Consolidated Oil	17
St. Oil of N. J.	71
Skelley Oil	46
Chase Bank	53
National City Bank	49
Sun Life of Canada	990

Market:—Steady.

CAWNPORE SUGAR

Cawnpore, Jan. 23.

	Rs. a. p.
Champaran	6 8 0
Samastipur	6 7 0
Japaha	6 6 0
Lohat Siding	6 12 0
Motihari	6 10 0
Chanpatiya	6 6 0
Narkatiya	6 7 0
Marhowrah	7 0 0
Pachrukhi	6 15 0
Pertabpur	6 9 0
New Savan	6 6 0
Gaursepur	6 7 0
Sarayan	6 14 0
Sasamosa	6 5 0
Ghughly	6 6 0
Pharenda	6 7 0
Walterganj	6 6 0
Munderwa 5	6 6 0
Basti	6 10 0
Ram Kola	6 7 0
Ram Khetan	6 8 0
Luxmiganj	6 8 0
Padrauna	6 7 0
Pipraich	6 7 0
Siswa Bazar	6 6 0
Nawabganj	6 7 0
Pursa	6 5 0
Sidholia	6 8 0
Majholia	6 10 0
Bhatni	6 8 0
Savan (Indian)	6 4 0
Bhavnam	6 11 0
Burwal	6 10 0
Jarwal Road	6 9 0
Lucknow	6 4 0
Balrampur	6 9 0
Khadda	6 6 0
Khadda Local	6 4 0
Reega	6 6 0
Barhani	6 8 0
Biswan	6 4 0
Sakhari	6 12 0
Semapur	7 0 0
Harinagar	6 12 0
Motipore	7 2 0
Khartkuiyan	6 7 0
Sitalpur	6 10 0
Captainganj	6 10 0
Hathua	6 9 0
Sagauli	6 7 0
Baitalpur	6 7 0
Jhusi	6 14 0
Chitauni	6 6 0
Hasanpore	6 8 0
Tamkohi	6 5 0
Harkua	6 8 0
Buxar	6 11 0
Seohara	6 13 0
Behta	7 0 0
Dehri R. S	7 4 0
Simbhaoli	7 0 0
Sahaganj	6 10 0
Pilibhit	6 10 0
Bareilly	6 12 0
Maholi	6 9 0

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The World Of Finance

A WEEKLY REVIEW

(BY ZANDHYALA)

With the exception of the Bombay Stock Exchange, all the other local markets are devoid of interest, and the new year enthusiasm is on the wane. There is a little setback in base metals as well as in commodities. Owing to the removal of the copper Restriction Scheme, the price of copper registered a small decline, and the copper shares that were in keen demand until a few days ago, are practically neglected this week. Rubber also remained weak on account of the fears of continuance of the labour trouble in the motor industry in U. S. A. After the publication of the International Tin Restriction Agreement restricting the production to 100 per cent., Tin also closed slightly easy in sympathy with others and on profit taking.

In the local markets the Cotton Exchange evinced a gradual sagging tendency towards the close of the week owing to the recent developments in Japan. It is believed that numerous difficulties are now placed in the way of cotton imports to Japan. Other commodities as wheat, linseed, and groundnuts also remained quiet.

In the Stock Exchange there was a good deal of activity, and Steels in particular presented a very lively appearance owing to a recent rise in Steel prices, and on the probability of a further rise in these prices during the early part of next week. Bombay-Burmas continued to be the favourites owing to a rise in the price of timber as well of Rubber.

WHITHER SILVER?

The white metal is gradually losing its lustre, and many an operator is repelled from its field. On account of the fears that the Government of India might increase the import-duty on silver, and the rumours that the U. S. Administration is contemplating some changes in their silver purchasing programme, there was a drop of about Rs. 2 in the quotation for silver. Apart from any other contemplated changes, the market is now under a heavy load with huge stocks, and it requires a pretty long time to finish the process of digestion. The total stocks of silver in the local market are now estimated to be about 30,000 bars, and about 6,000 bars will be landed at Bombay after a few days. Even supposing that the offtake of silver would be maintained at the present level which is estimated at about 140 bars a day, at least a period of six months is necessary for the domestic demand to absorb the huge stocks.

Stocks of silver in London are now estimated at three million ounces, and fresh imports into London have considerably lessened during the past few months. As regards the U. S. Silver policy the authorities have not expressed any concern, and they have agreed to take over the entire domestic production as well as that of Mexico. The U. S. Treasury during the fiscal year 1935-36, purchased 609,613,258 ounces, valued 395,313,736 dols., on an average cost of 65 cents. per ounce.

The price of silver was quoting around 20½d. per ounce at the end of June 1934 when the U. S. Administration commenced its silver purchasing operation, and the price is again quoting to-day at the same level. And so it may be said that the object of the Silver Purchasing Act has been defeated so far, as the world's price level of the metal could not be maintained at higher level. The U. S. Treasury acquired a large portion of the available supplies of the metal at a price higher than that ruling to-day.

Under these circumstances President Roosevelt may not be expected to make any far-reaching changes in the Silver purchasing programme, as any further fall would be detrimental to his Treasury. As I have pointed in these columns before, the Government of India also are not likely to raise the import-duty on Silver in the next budget.

EAST INDIA LOANS BILL.

A white paper has been presented to Parliament this week containing the text of the East India Loans Bill. This Bill is meant to enable the Secretary of State to raise loans in England, as and when he may require funds in the interval between the inauguration of Provincial autonomy, and the establishment of the All-India Federation.

From the days of John Company a practice was established that no loan could be raised in England on behalf of India except on the authority of an Imperial Statute. The abolition of this practice was recommended by the Simon Commission, and accepted in the new Government of India Act to be brought into force after the establishment of the Federation in India. According to Section 315 of the new Government of India Act, no sterling loan may be raised by the Governor-General-in-Council in the period intervening between the commencement of Provincial autonomy, and the establishment of Federation. But if a provision is made in that behalf by an East Indian Loans Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, the Secretary of State may contract such loans on behalf of the Governor-General-in-Council. Hence no significance can be attached to this East India Loans Bill, as it removes a constitutional difficulty of raising the sterling loans during the interval between the Provincial autonomy and the All-India Federation.

OUR LONDON LETTER

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has been made in Greece to keep his role and the extent of his influence a secret, it is known that Col. Habicht has been given the responsibility of supervising the construction of fortification all over Greece, and especially along the coast. These fortifications are being built entirely with German material and are equipped with German artillery, paid for out of the 22,000,000 Reichsmarks set aside for the purchase of war material from Germany from Greece's 32,000,000 Reichsmarks of frozen credits in Germany. Under Habicht's personal supervision, ferro-concrete fortifications are being erected at the entrance of the Gulf of Corinth, at Cape Araxos, in Lutraki, between the islands of Aegina and Salamis, for the protection of the Gulf of Piraeus, and the arsenals in Eleusis, and on the coast of the Gulf of Salonika.

Britain Displeased?

Meanwhile, according to my informant, it is being freely stated in Athens that General Metaxa would never have ventured to pursue a pro-German and, to some extent, pro-Italian policy had he not received the assurance "from "impeccable sources" that it would be met with British approval. Whether this be true or not, it is a fact, my source asserts, that before pulling off his "coup d'etat" General Metaxa had actually been assured by certain German and Italian agents that Great Britain was about to decide in favour of a bloc of fascist countries. There seems little reason to doubt that this assurance played a definite part in determining the policy of the new dictator, whilst enabling him to continue in the traditional policy of Greece always to follow faithfully in the wake of Great Britain. Following this somewhat complicated double-sided policy of trying to keep in, at one and the same time, both with London and Berlin, General Metaxa's first move was to grant the English creditors of Greece 70 per cent. of the annual payments on the war debt, instead of the 25 per cent previously agreed upon. He also granted wide powers and special concessions to British commercial companies operating in Greece. This generous gesture, however, lost a good deal of its intended effect when he proceeded not only to meet Dr. Schacht more than halfway on the financial issue, but also to give German and Italian propaganda agents such a free hand in Greece that even the "Times" has been now relegated to back corners of the newspaper kiosks in Athens and Piraeus, while the official German news agency has been able to obtain the virtual monopoly of all news entering Greece.

The agents of the British Intelligence Service, as well as accredited British diplomatic representatives, are by no means pleased with this double-sided policy.

SENSATIONAL MAIL ROBBERY

PATNA, Jan. 25.

A sensational mail robbery is reported to have taken place last evening in Saheb Gunj Thana, District Muzzafarpur. Robbers, it is alleged, came in a motor car and snatched away mail bags from a runner proceeding in the direction of the Railway station and disappeared.

Further details are lacking.—United Press.

East-Bound 'Plane Delayed

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI: January 25.

The Imperial Airways Eastbound 'plane by which Prince Ali Khan and his wife are expected here this afternoon has been delayed till sometime to-night.

Cotton Markets Nervous Due To Japanese Situation

OPERATORS AWAIT LOAN COTTON RELEASE TERMS

Trade And Commission Houses Buying

BOMBAY: January 25.

On Saturday the New York Cotton Futures Market was unsettled with Bombay selling and trade buying.

Considerable nervousness prevailed due to Japanese situation and the uncertainties in connection with Government loan sale with traders inclined to anticipate an announcement over the week-end though nothing official transpired.

On Saturday the New York cotton futures market opened barely steady and declined on lower Liverpool cables and overnight commission houses and foreign liquidation orders, but thereafter prices partially rallied on trade buying.

The Ginning Report was as expected showing 11,957,000 bales ginned upto 16th January against 11,494,000 bales in the previous report and 10,250,000 bales this time last year.

Trading commenced at a decline of 3 points with March 12.44 and immediately the market reached 12.43 level which was the lowest for the day. Later on there was trade buying which improved prices to 12.48 which was the highest level for the day. The market closed at a rise of 2 points to a decline of 3 points. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 12.97c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet but steady and closed at a decline of one point to unchanged. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 13 cents.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 2 points with a small support and business was also small. Later on there was Bombay selling and hedging followed by trade calling. The market closed at a decline of one point to unchanged. Middling American spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 7.16d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton futures market was quiet but steady with a limited business. Sakels futures closed 3 points down and Uppers futures were 1 to 6 points down.

The Alexandria cotton futures market was quiet and closed at a decline of 6 to 11 points.

REUTER'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

Prices on the New York cotton market remained within a narrow range with fresh speculative interest withheld, pending further details in connection with the release of loan cotton. Liquidation on rallies and scaledown trade price fixing were principal features. The weakness of other markets caused some liquidation by tired longs, while some selling was due to the auto-strike and more favourable European advices, in addition to some nervousness over the possible repercussions of the Japanese exchange control. However resistance to the pressure encouraged the belief in the stability of the market.

Spot basis was somewhat easier owing to the freer offerings of lower grades in anticipation of competition of loan cotton. At the same time mill enquiry has improved for better grades for immediate shipment.

Exports have recently been comparing more favourably with the last year but thus far there has been no decided change in the trend. Mill activity has been further expanding but new production was readily absorbed.

JAPS BUY OOMRA.

Messrs. M. and B. Stern state:

Continued selling by option dealers and stale long liquidation by the Bazaar following uncertainty over the political situation in Japan caused a further decline but towards the close, Japanese interests purchased Oomras which had a steadying effect. Though the feeling is still somewhat reactionary prices are now reaching a level at which we would advise moderate purchases with a view to increasing same, should the market decline further. The technical position of the market is considerably healthier, the parity with Americans extremely wide and the action of the New York market in face of continued long liquidation is impressive. No news is yet to hand regarding details of the loan cotton releases though one private cable to hand expects them to be constructive.

PRIVATE CABLES.

New York March Highest 12.48 +.01 (11-57 a.m.); Lowest 12.43 —.04 (10-3 a.m.).

Liverpool March Highest 6.91 —.01; Lowest 6.89 —.03.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received to-day the following cable advices from their foreign friends:—

NEW YORK:—"Moderate foreign selling absorbed by trade. Moderate business in dry goods.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta & Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

NEW YORK:—Trade and spot Houses bought March. Foreign and local selling. Some hedges distants.

Messrs. Langley and Co., have received the following cables from Liverpool:—

Cotton.—Offerings have been mainly Bombay and Southern hedging which have met steady offtake from trade calling. See no prospect of early movement from present narrow price fluctuations, however continue advise old crop purchases on moderate setback for small quick profits.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	8-7/8

NEW YORK COTTON.
NEW YORK, Jan 23.

March	12.47
May	12.33
July	12.18
October	11.78
December	11.78
January	11.76
Middling Spot	12.97

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
NEW YORK, Jan. 23.

March	12.40
May	12.27
July	12.14
Middling Spot	13.00
11-00 a.m. Ranges.	
March	
May	Closed
July	—
Noon Call.	
March	—
May	Closed
July	—

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.
NEW YORK, Jan. 23.

Day's Receipts at all U S. Ports	8,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	5,000
Day's Exports to the Continent	10,000
Day's Exports to China and Japan	Nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON.
LIVERPOOL, Jan. 23.

January	6.94
February	6.92
March	6.91
April	6.89
May	6.88
June	6.84
July	6.81
August	6.65
September	6.56
October	6.50
November	6.45
December	6.45
Middling Spot	7.16
10-12 a.m. Quotations.	
March	6.90
May	6.87

EGYPTIAN COTTON.
LIVERPOOL, Jan. 23.

F.G.F. Sakellaridis.	
October	—
November	—
January	9.80
March	9.95
May	10.14
July	9.95
August	9.95
F.G.F. Spot	10.26

INDIAN COTTON.
LIVERPOOL, Jan. 23.

BROACH.	
Fully Good (Good Staple)	5.76
Fine (Good Staple)	5.91
Superfine (Good Staple-	6.06
OOMRA.	
Fine (No. 1 Staple)	5.73
Superfine (No. 1 Staple)	5.88
Choice (No. 1 Staple)	6.03
BENGAL.	
Good	4.62
Fully Good	4.72
Fine	4.84

LONDON SEEDS.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Linseed La Plata Hull C.I.F. £11-15-0 Jan. sellers.

Linseed Calcutta London C.I.F £14-3-9 Jan/Feb. sellers.

Linseed Bombay London C.I.F. £14-10-0 Jan/Feb. sellers.

Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont. C.I.F. £14-5-0 Jan/Feb. sellers.

Castorseed Bombay Hull C.I.F. £14-10-0 Jan/Feb. sellers.

LONDON PRODUCE.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Wheat Rodario Santa Fe 38/7-1/2 Jan5Feb. sellers.

Wheat Barletta Russo 39/1-1/2 Jan/Feb. sellers.

Wheat South Australian 48/6 January sellers.

MONEY AND EXCHANGES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

T C RATES—	
T T D D	1/6 1/16
LONDON—	
Banks selling T T D D—	1/6 3/32
Banks buying T T	1/6 5/32
Banks buying D D	1/6 3/16
Banks buying 3 mos	1/6 7/32
NEW YORK	
B C Rate T T	272 7/8
Banks selling T T	270 7/8
Banks buying T T	268 3/4
PARIS—	
Banks selling T T	788
Banks buying T T	803
ITALY—	
Banks selling T T (from March 1/8 lower)	77 1/2
Banks buying T T from Mar. 1/8 lower	76 5/8
AMSTERDAM	
Banks selling D D	67 1/4
JAVA	
Banks selling D D	66 7/8
BRUSSELS	
Banks selling D D	83 7/8
SHANGHAI	
Banks selling D D	81 3/8
SINGAPORE—	
Banks selling D D	156 1/4
BERLIN	
Banks selling D D	91
HONG KONG	
New York London	
23rd instant	4.90 13/32
London	
25th instant	1/2
London	
25th instant	8.91
Hong London	
25th instant	1/2 31/32
London	
25th instant	1/2 19/32
London Paris	
23rd instant	105.16
London Belgium	
23rd instant	29.11
London Switzerland	
23rd instant	21.41 1/4
London Berlin	
23rd instant	12.20
London Stockholm	
23rd instant	19.39 1/2
London New York	
23rd instant	4.90 5/16
London Amsterdam	
23rd instant	8.95 1/4
London Italy	
23rd instant	93.15
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.	
Gold	
22nd instant	£7-1-10 1/2
23rd instant	£7-1-10
Silver London Ready	
22nd instant	20 7/16
23rd instant	20 3/8
Silver London Forward	
22nd instant	20 5/16
23rd instant	20 1/4
New York Ready.	
22nd instant	45
23rd instant	45
London Discounts 3 Mos	
22nd instant	9/16 p.c.
23rd instant	9/16 p.c.
London Discount 6 Mos	
22nd instant	11/16 p.c.
23rd instant	11/16 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate	3 p.c.
Bank of England Rate	2 p.c.
Money—	
Call	1 p.c.
3 Months	1 1/4 p.c.
6 Months	1 1/4 p.c.
Tone: Steady.	

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 25.

On Saturday London gold prices were reduced by half a penny to £7-1-10. London-Paris Exchange rate was unchanged at 105.13 and Dollar-Sterling cross rate was quoted 4.90 13/32. London silver prices declined 1/16d. to 20 3/8d. with a small support. New York silver prices were unchanged at 44 3/4 cents and Montreal futures closed unchanged to 15 points down.

Shinghai T.T. on London was quoted to-day 1.2 19/32. The local silver market quiet but steady with a restricted business. Gold was steady.

	Rs. a. p.
GOLD—	
Ready	35 1 6
Posh	35 1 6
Magh	35 1 3
SILVER—	
Ready	50 7 0
Posh	50 8 0
Magh	50 5 0

JAPAN CONTROL ON COTTON IMPORTS

Japan import control not expected affect cotton except temporarily. Domestic cloths slower. Mill activity maintained. Foreign mill advices favourable. Season consumption American probably seven million six domestic, five million abroad.

TRADE TENDENCIES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Messrs. M. and B. Stern have received from their Head office the following cable:—

Cotton.—"Trade continues absorb all offerings but speculators disinclined enter in view uncertainty loan releases."

Wheat.—"With present heavy Argentine pressure outlook uncertain but market would respond any resumption demand."

Copper.—"Expect more twosided market but trend still higher."

Sugar.—"Whilst advise caution looks ultimately higher".

Rubber.—"Still under cloud of American strike and pending meeting committee next week: Believe ultimately higher".

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Bank bills 3 months market rate	9/16 p.c. to 9/16 p.c.
Bank bills 6 months market rate	5/8 p.c. to 11/16 p.c.
Fine trade bills 3 months market rate	2 p.c. to 2½ p.c.
Fine trade bills 6 months market rate	2½ p.c. to 3 p.c.
Interest day to day loan	1/2 p.c. to 1/2 p.c.
Interest 7 days market loan	1/2 p.c.

LONDON SILVER.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Spot	20-1/8
Forward	20-1/4

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Following unchanged New York advices the local market opened to-day at Rs. 224/6 and advanced to Rs. 225/12 on active buying and covering influenced by private cables stating that the loan release will be constructive. Later on there was scattered realising and prices declined to Rs. 225/8. The market was steady at this level. Later on the market was quiet. Liverpool was due to open unchanged but it opened 2 points lower, which influenced selling in the local market and prices declined to Rs. 224/12. It is said that extensive straddle operations are exerting great influence on local prices. The market closed at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

	Rs. a. p.
Broach A-M	224 4 0
Broach J-A	226 12 0
Oomra March	203 12 0
Oomra May	204 0 0
Bengal March	175 8 0
Bengal May	175 0 0

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Jan 25

Yellow metal	41 8 0
Copper sheets	51 8 0

Cotton Tenders

Bombay, Jan 25

	To-day	Total
Bengal	3500	6600
Oomra	2850	19350

Cotton Settlement Rates

Bombay, Jan 25

Bengal D/J and Oomra D/J contracts ran out to-day at Rs. 207 and at Rs. 178 respectively.

Argentine Linseed

Buenos Aires, Jan 23

February	14.13
March	14.14

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, Jan 23

March	99 3/8d.
May	100 1/4d.
July	100 1/2d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, Jan 23

May	128 1/8c.
July	112 5/8c.
September	108 7/8c.

American Cotton Figures

F P Bales	1936-37	1935-36
Receipts to date 23-1-37	5454000	5902000
Receipts yesterday 23-1-37	8000	10000
Exports to date 23-1-37	3429000	4043000
Stock at Ports 22-1-37	2600000	2615000
Stock at Interior Towns 22-1-37	2067000	2285000
Stock at Liverpool 22-1-37	916000	727000
Visible Supply 22-1-37	6214000	6690000
Quantity in sight 22-1-37	10217000	10037000
Quantity out of sight 22-1-37	7345000	6453000

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Jan 25

Extra Sprfine Sup Fine FG Good

M G—				
Bengal U P	184	181	178	175
Punjab	184	181	178	175
Oomra No. 3	213	210	207	204 ...
C P No. 1	228	225	222	219 ...
C P No. 2	219	216	212	210 ...
Khandesh	208	205	202	199 ...

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Jan 25

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales	23-1-37.	Since 1st Sept. This year.
Khandesh	2,244	147,925
Central India	4,159	179,886
Barsi and Nagar	1,056	95,429
Hyderabad Gaorani	436	40,749
Berar	4,861	331,543
Central Provinces	1,435	73,709
Total Oomras	14,193	869,241
Dholera	746	13,998
N W Provinces	...	4,444
Rajputana	1,089	29,557
Sind-Punjab	1,436	174,648
Broach	...	2,981
Coompta and Dharwar	...	10,300
Westerns-Northerns	177	11,809
Cocoanada	...	124
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	...	2,543
Persian	...	10
American	...	3,144
Egyptian and African	389	106,867
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	...	5
Total	18,030	1,229,661

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept to 21st Jan

In full-pressed bales	23-1-37	This year.
Europe	6,196	139,349
Japan and China	5,700	575,078
Coast Ports	...	7,623
Up-country by Rail	...	97,377
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan	...	39,586
Total	11,896	859,013

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES.

New York—Liverpool:—
March 165 May 173 at Cross Rate 4.90 13/32

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach A/M. 1937 224—Liverpool May 6.88 Rs. 75 1/2 at Exchange 1/6.

Bombay—New York:—
Broach A/M. 1937 224—New York May 12.33 Rs. 55 1/2 at Cross Rate 4.90 13/12

LONDON GOLD.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

Gold bars fine per ounce 27/1/10

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Jan. 25.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 100/1
3 per cent 1951/54 102/1
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 104
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash 98/1
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 106/1
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 110/8
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 113/14
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 118/12
3 per cent U P Bonds 98/8
5 per cent 1939/44 108
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan 111/0
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 Loan 106/9

TAX FREES

3 per cent 1945/55 120/2
4 per cent 1953/63 Loan 112/8
5 1/2 per cent 1938 Mysore 106/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125/8

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 111
4 per cent M Deb 1974 110
5 per cent M Deb 1959 119
6 per cent M Deb 1954 131
6 per cent K P T 1956 131
6 1/2 per cent B I T 1937 103

Note:—3 1/2 per cent Government paper opened to-day at Rs. 98/1 and declined to Rs. 97/13/6 to close at Rs. 98.

BOMBAY SUGAR

Bombay, Jan. 25.

	Rs. a. p.
Ready Javas	13 4 0
Shipment Jan-Mar.	4 6 0
Shipment July-Sept.	4 6 0
Kesar	11 11 0
Saraya	11 4 0
Java Spot	F.5.30

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Jan. 25.

	Cwts.
Wheat	11,414
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	270
Gingellyseed	3,335
Poppyseed	202
Groundnuts	24,495
Castorseed	1,062
Rice	46,634
Myrabollams	3,685
Cottonseed	11,231
Gram	1,374
Joowar	211
Barley	573
Bajree	763
Indian Sugar	4,245
	Tons.
Coal	504

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Bengal Superfine	179/81
Bengal Fine	176/78
C.P. 1	219/21
C.P. 2	212/13
Arvi	212/13
Ellichpur	212/13
Berar	209/10
Khamgaon	210/12
Mulkapur	207/09
Khandesh	205/07
Jalna/Sailu	207/08
Burwah Sanavad	210/12
Broach Fine	227/28
Punjab/American	225/32
Sind, N.T.	267/70
Punjab 289F.	280/85

High And Low Cotton Prices

Bombay, Jan. 23.

Broach A/M, 1937 Op. 225 1/4; Highest 225 1/4; Lowest 223 3/4; Closing 223 3/4.

Broach July/Aug. Op. 227 1/4; Highest 227 1/4; Lowest 226; Closing 226.

Oomra D/J. Op. 205 1/4; Highest 205 1/4; Lowest 204 1/4; Closing 204 1/4.

Oomra March Op. 203 3/4; Highest 204; Lowest 203 1/2; Closing 203 3/4.

Oomra May Op. 204 1/2; Highest 204 3/4; Lowest 203 3/4; Closing 203 3/4.

Bengal D/J. Op. 178; Highest 178; Lowest 177 1/2; Closing 177 1/2.

Bengal March Op. 175 1/2; Highest 175 1/2; Lowest 174 1/2; Closing 175.

Bengal May Op. 175; Highest 175; Lowest 173 3/4; Closing 174 1/2.

T/Mandi for Broach A/M. Settlement (21-2-37) Rs. 5 3/4.

T/Mandi for Broach A/May (31-3-37) Rs. 9 1/2.

T/Mandi for Broach July/A. (30-6-37) Rs. 17.

Montreal Silver

Montreal, Jan. 23.

January	44.85—15
March	45.00
May	44.95

Osaka Sampin

Osaka, Jan. 25.

January	268.90+90
March	259.80+90
April	255.50—150
May	253.00—240
July	251.90—350

Osaka Cotton

Osaka, Jan. 25.

March	75.80—60
April	76.20—50

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 22nd January	18,555
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1936	1,211,631
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	870,351
Increase	341,280

LONDON OIL.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Linseed Oil naked London per cwt 26/9 Feb. sellers.

Linseed Oil naked London per cwt 26/9 May/Aug. sellers.

LONDON RUBBER.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

Smoked Sheet Standard Ribbed per lb 10-1/4 sellers.

LONDON EXCHANGES.
LONDON, Jan. 23.

T. T. London on:	
New York (Closing rate)	4.90-5/16
Paris	105.16
Berlin	12.20
	Nominal.
Madrid	70.00
Amsterdam	8.05-1/4
Brussels	29.11
Milan	93.15
Berne	21.41-1/4
Prague	140.50

Professional Bulls Active Buyers

Tata Steels Reach New High Levels

When Bears Will Desert Market?

BOMBAY: January 25.

The month opened with great activity and being last days for carry-forward business, Professional Bulls came out with large buying orders and forced Steel shares to move up by leaps and bounds. Thereafter we have had a dull but very steady period, but for the last two days prices are again going up and since Saturday prices of Tata Steel Dfds. recorded a sharp rise of over Rs. 100 and to-day they were quoted at a new high level of Rs. 1,230 for the current settlement.

Nothing important has happened during the interval to justify the rise, but as usual the plea of improvement in steel prices will be put forward. To what extent the rise in shares is responsible for the improvement in Steel prices, we leave our readers to judge.

But the facts remain that the Bulls are controlling the situation and they are sitting tight over their holdings. They know that a large part of the short sales is unprotected and Bulls are in a position to dictate their own prices. The market has become self-cornered as anticipated by us and there is no knowing when these big Bulls will unload.

We were told by responsible authorities that the rise in share values was mainly due to rise in steel prices. In this connection it will not be out of place to say that the Steel companies are now completing orders booked previous to the rise and the yearly accounts will prove below average expectations.

Money is becoming dear and Cash Balances of Banks are showing big decreases. Banks have raised rates from 1 1/2 per cent to 2 per cent for advances above Rs. 5 lacs and from 2 to 2 1/2 per cent on advances up to Rs. 5 lacs. If the demand for money continues, it will have adverse effect on fixed interest bearing securities and preference shares.

This does not mean the end of bullish enthusiasm in the forward section. Bulls are bent upon having their own prices and they are sure to have their hopes realised.

But there is other side to the situation. The Bears have lost huge amounts and even now they are multiplying their losses. These Bears cannot have unlimited resources, or they have no Alladin's Lamp" to mint money. This is a vital point to decide the extreme top.

If prices continue to go up as they do at present, it will not take time to find that all Bears desert the market and Bulls find themselves overloaded with dead weight of actual shares.

Such a state is bound to develop sooner or later and if the international political situation does not get confounded, present prices will prove to be fictitious, mainly due to unbounded bullish enthusiasm.

Thus the market needs extreme caution in following the rise at the moment which is too steep and too rapid, but under no circumstances we favour short sales.

Before opening of the session it was freely talked that Steel Dfds would go over Rs. 1,200 and it happened so.

The market opened firm at Rs. 1,185 for Tata Steel Dfds against last closing at 1,160 on Saturday and soon advanced to Rs. 1,205. At this level there was some limit selling which checked the rise and prices relapsed to the opening level but active bull support again improved prices and the tone was feverish. The session finished at about the highest level of the day.

Bulls are buying confidently and look for considerably higher prices. The general sentiment also continues bullish.

TEXTILE MILLS.
BOMBAY, Jan. 25.

	Rs. as.
100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 14)	305 0
250 B'bay Dyeing (Rs. 25)	911 4
100 Century	212 8
100 Central India (Rs. 4)	294 6
100 Colaba (nil)	151 4
100 Coorla	110 0
250 David	75 0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10)	385 0
1 E. D. Sassoon (nil)	0-9-6
100 Finlay (Rs. 2-8)	121 4
100 Gokak (Rs. 2-8)	220 10
1000 Hindustan (Rs. 75)	1725 0
100 Indore	48 12
100 Khatau (Rs. 2)	93 12
100 Kohinoor (Rs. 8)	276 4
250 Laxmi (Rs. 12-8)	667 8
250 Madras United N.	11 0
1,000 Morarji (nil)	945 0
250 Model	62 8
50 Mysore (Rs. 3)	105 0
200 New Great (nil)	193 2
100 Osmanshahi (Re. 1)	58 8
100 Phoenix (10)	305 0
25 Sassoon Silk (Rs. 2)	62 0
1000 Sholapur (Rs. 50)	2340 0
50 Simplex (Rs. 1-2)	87 8
100 Swadeshi (Rs. 4)	245 0
100 Swan (nil)	90 0
500 Vishnu (Rs. 50)	1320 0
1000 Western	805 0
BANKS.	
50-100 Baroda (Rs. 2-8)	118 4
25-50 Central (As. 12)	35 12
500 Imperial (Rs. 30)	1537 8
125-500 I. Conty. (Rs. 7-8)	378 12
50-100 India (Rs. 2-8)	140 4
100 Reserve Bank (Rs. 3-3-4)	137 0
5 Union (As. 4)	5 12
CEMENTS.	
10 Bundi (As. 10)	40 6
100 Coimbatore	203 12
75 Gwalior (Rs. 5)	141 4
160 Indian (Rs. 24)	532 8
40 Katni Def. (Rs. 83-8-9)	2315 0
100 Katni ord. (Rs. 10)	395 0
75 Okha (Rs. 7)	315 0
10 Punjab (As. 12)	29 14
100 Shahabad (Rs. 13-8)	510 0
70 United (Rs. 2-8)	161 0
INSURANCE	
80-500 Empire (Rs. 14)	847 8
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12)	16 6
15-75 New India (Rs. 1-4)	44 8
20 Mercantile	46 0
200 Oriental (125)	5400 0
10-50 Vulcan (As. 8)	8 1
ELECTRIC.	
100 Ahmedabad Old (6)	178 2
1000 Andhra Valley (45)	1722 8
10 Ajmer (As. 4)	14 0
50 Bombay Tram (Rs. 3-8)	153 2
100 Bom. Suburban (Rs. 6)	215 0
10 Broach	14 0
100 Karachi (4)	267 8
100 Poona (4)	267 8
100 Surat (Rs. 8)	208 2
100 Tata Hydro (Rs. 5)	190 0
1000 Tata Power (Rs. 40)	1565 0
RAILWAYS	
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	920 0
100 C. Province	99 0

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, Jan. 25.

Century (189/6) 195 201 195 212
Bom. Dyeing (872/8) 885 895 882 900 915 911
Kohinoor (267/8) 273 271 275 276
Central India (277/8) 282 286 282 291 294
New Great (184/6) 187 190 193
Simplex (83/12) 84 86 87
Bundi (40/6) 40/8 40/6 40/8 40/6
Swadeshi (231/4) 240 236 245
I. Cement (532/8) 540 532 533 530 532
Andhra (1720) 1717 1715 1730 1722/8
Tata Hydro (189/6) 190
Tata Power (1560) 1560 1670 1557 1562 1555 1567 1565
Tram. Ord. (152/13) 153/2
T. Steel Dfd. 1160) 1185 1205 1190 1202 1195 1205 1200 1210 1230 1227
T. Steel Ord. (292) 296 297 294 298 295 299 299/8
B. Steam (290) 290 291
B. Burma (625) 637 630 637 631 638 637

Garside cables:—

100 Dhond Baramati	106 8
100 Gujarat	95 0
100 Mandra Bhon	102 8
100 Pachora Jamner	98 0
100 Sara Sirajgunje	102 0
500 Tapty Valley (17-8)	772-8
MININGS.	
10 Shivrajpur (As. 8)	46 0
30 Tata Steel Def. (Rs. 7-8)	1227 8
75 Tata Steel Ord. (Rs. 6)	299 8
MISCELLANEOUS	
100 Alcock (Rs. 5)	285 0
50 Belapur Sugar (Rs. 7)	191 4
200 B'bay Safe Dep. (Rs. 40)	800 0
250 B'bay Steam (Rs. 15)	292 8
125 Bom. Burma (Rs. 12-8)	637 8
50 Do Conty (Rs. 5)	213 12
8sh. Br. B. Petrol (nil)	6 7
50 B. Telephone (Rs. 2-8)	116 0
9 Burma Corp. (As. 8)	11 9
100 I. Bleaching (Rs. 4)	146 4
50 I. Invest Trust (Rs. 2)	54 0
100 I. Radio defd. (12)	533 12
100 I. Radio Ord. (15)	525 0
1000 Port Canning (Rs. 25)	621 4
15 Scindia (Re. 1)	22 9
30 Premier Const. (Rs. 1-1)	104 8
25 Tata Oil (nil)	20 0
PREFERENCE.	
7 p.c Andhra Valley	1578 12
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	306 4
7 p.c. Bom. Trams (T.F.)	88 0
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	552 8
7 p.c. Katni 1st	136 4
7 p.c. Katni 2nd. (T.F.)	146 4
7-1/2 p.c. Punjab Cement	13 10
6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	108 0
6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 2nd	103 8
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	161 4
7-1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1602 8
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	197 8
7½ p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	178 0
7 p.c. Vishnu	692 8
DEBENTURES	
3-3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	102 12
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	111 0
4 p.c. Bom. Telephone	51 8
7 p.c. Sholapur	85 4
6 p.c. Tata Hydro	111 8

(Last Dividend in Brackets)

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Clever Electioneering Move By Govt.

What U. P. Public Think About Independence Pledge Ban

"CONGRESS PRESIDENT HAS SEEN THROUGH THE GAME"

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

ALLAHABAD: January 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru arrived here this morning. He had hardly time to rest after an arduous journey when he had to start on a whirlwind campaign in Allahabad rural areas at 10 a.m.

Mr. Nehru travels by car but the continuous strain of the campaign has undoubtedly told on his health though the Congress President is bearing it wonderfully.

Pandit. Nehru has to cover a vast programme at Allahabad rural areas. Within short time he has to visit the following villages to-day. Kakora. Daranagar, Manihanpur, Mejaroad. Unchdih, Majakhas Karchhna, Sirsa, Bharatganj and Karanvan.

Arrangements for loud speakers are made in the villages.

The instructions of the Congress President not to commit breaches in connection with the Independence Day is considered in Congress circles here a wise one. The ban issued by the Government is regarded as a clever electioneering move to hustle and provoke the Congress a thoughtless defiance.

The fact that the ban is issued in provinces where the Congress has a thumping majority is expected, gives point to the argument

A prominent Congress leader interviewed expressed the opinion that the Congress President, though impetuous, has seen through the Government game.

SARDAR ON GOVT. BAN

(From Our Correspondent).

MALEGAON: January 25.

"Government is so afraid as to impose a ban on our Pledge of Independence" said Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressing a big meeting at Malegaon.

Further he said that since there was no civil disobedience the order might not be disobeyed, but he was sure, if not in meetings, everybody at home, would pledge for Independence and work for its fulfilment.

No power, however repressive, would be able to stop it.

BENGAL BANS CONGRESS PLEDGE

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

The Government of Bengal have decided to ban under Section 19 of the Indian Press Act (Emergency Powers) the Independence Day Pledge fixed to be read on January 25.—A. P.

RAID ON GOURANGA PRESS

CALCUTTA, Jan. 25.

Following ban on the Congress Independence Pledge by the Bengal Government, police raided this afternoon the Sree Gouranga Press of Mr. Suresh Mazumdar, who is Secretary of the Bengal Congress Parliamentary Board, and confiscated a copy of the pledge received from the A.I.C.C. office.—United Press.

U. P. GOVT. FALLS IN LINE

LUCKNOW, Jan. 25.

The U. P. Government has banned "Independence Pledge" of the Congress throughout the Province.

The Chief Secretary has issued orders of forfeiture of all copies of newspapers, books or other documents giving publicity to the words of the Independence Pledge or resolution. The communique issued by the Government states 'inter alia' that portions of the resolution are clearly seditious and constitute a challenge to the Government which cannot pass unnoticed.

Persons giving publicity to the resolution are liable for prosecution. Orders have been issued to the District authorities accordingly.—United Press.

BAN IN BURMA

RANGOON, January 25.

A Government of Burma *Gazette* Extraordinary announces the forfeiture under the Press Act of any copy of the issue of any newspaper and every book or other document which contains the Independence Day pledge approved by the All-India Congress Committee.—A.P.

PLEDGE BANNED IN PUNJAB

LAHORE, January 25.

It is understood that the Government of Punjab is following the lead of other Provinces in banning the publication of the Independence Day Resolution of 1930, and that a *Gazette* Extraordinary is being issued to this effect this evening.—United Press.

SHOOTING TRAGEDY AVERTED

Incident At Village Meeting

PESHAWAR, Jan. 25.

The activities of a certain class of Mullahs who have been trying to excommunicate Muslim Congressmen culminated this weekend in a meeting in the village of Chamkanni in Peshawar District where a disturbance occurred.

During the scuffle a supporter of a candidate in one of the Mohmand constituencies is alleged to have attempted to shoot Congress workers.

Timely intervention of those present prevented a tragedy.—A. P.

MODY EXPLAINS HIS DEFEAT IN CHAMBER ELECTION

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Sir Homi Modi gave the following statement to the Associated Press:—

Prminence has been given in the press, to the fact that I have not been elected to the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber this year. It is necessary therefore that I should explain the position. When the Chamber genounced the Mody-Lees Pact—which still seems to be the pet aversion of its national section—I sent in resignation of my seat on the Committee and my membership of the Chamber. Later I was prevailed upon to continue but I kept out of the Committee. Last year a prominent representative of the Nationalist group approached me and asked me to rejoin the committee as the two sections in the Chamber desired to work together.

On that assurance I contested and was elected to the Committee. This year again a nomination paper was sent to me to sign and thinking that there was the same sort of understanding as before I allowed my name to go forward. As before I did not canvass a single vote and in the events that have happened the result is not surprising.—A. P.

CONGRESS NOMINEE ELECTED

Asansol Labour Seat In Bengal Assembly

BURDWAN: January 25.

Mr. Bankim Mookherjee, Member A.I.C.C. and nominee of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Committee and nominee of the All-India Trade Union Congress has been declared elected to the Bengal Assembly from Asansol Colliery Labour Constituency securing 3,492 votes against 516 and 263 polled by Mr. S. C. Mitra and Mr. Bhupen Mookherjee respectively.—United Press.

Rumours Of Rioting Contradicted

LUCKNOW, Jan. 25.

Strong rumours have been current here of an outbreak of communal rioting, and a subsequent "hartal" at Khurja.

Inquiries in official circles indicate the existence of disturbed feelings, but magnified rumours are discounted.—A.P.

DEO ANSWERS BHOPATKAR

Cites Late Lokmanya Tilak Against Democratic Swarajists

DISCIPLINARY ACTION JUSTIFIED

POONA, (By Mail).

Quoting chapter and verse from the Congress Constitution Mr. Shankarrao Deo, President, M. P. C. C. has issued a statement in reply to Mr. Bhopatkar's challenge and justifying the disciplinary action taken against intransigent Democrats.

Longer than the lengthy indictment of Mr. Bhopatkar, Mr. Deo's statement cites the late Lokmanya Tilak against the Democratic Swarajists.

Replying to the charge that disciplinary action is "ultra-vires" and invalid, Mr Deo quotes Articles in the Congress Constitution that the Working Committee is the sole executive authority and has the power to carry into effect the policy and programme of the Congress. He quotes in justification of his action, Article XII (E), which reads "the Working Committee shall have the power to take such disciplinary action as it may deem fit against a committee or individual for misconduct, wilful neglect or default."

Concluding Mr. Deo appealing for unity of action says that it is an accepted rule that a minority should abide by the verdict of the majority for the time being. The minority has the right to work for converting the majority to its side. No work of any kind will at all be possible if a disgruntled minority takes it into its head to run counter to the decision of the majority. The right why would be for the minority to loyally abide by the majority decision.—A. P.

Disciplinary Action Sequel

POONA, (By Mail).

As a protest against the disciplinary action taken by the M. P. C. C. several Congressmen belonging to Democratic Swarajist Party have resigned their membership of the Congress.—A. P.

MORE THAN NEEDED

DHANDHUKA, Jan. 25.

(From Our Correspondent)

"In response to our appeal to workers and volunteers inviting them to the election campaign in Dhandhuka, Goga Division, many from different parts of Kathiawar have offered their kind services and now through this public information we request those that have not yet left their places to postpone their coming here as the number of workers for election has fairly outreached the required strength write the Secretaries of the Navjavan Karyaker Sangh.

His Exalted Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad has donated an endowment to the Central College for Women, Nagpur, which would yield a handsome amount each month affording several burasaries for Berari students

GOVT. CONTROL OVER INSURANCE

Bill To Prohibit Managing Agents' Employment Before Assembly

NEW DELHI: Jan. 25.

Government control over Insurance Companies ought to be tightened up by a Bill to be moved tomorrow by Sir N. N. Sircar, Law Member, to amend the Insurance Law. It is understood that the Bill provides for an increase in the deposit with the Government of India, and insists on a minimum capital of Rs. 50 000 for starting an Insurance Company. The Government would also ensure greater supervision over all kinds of Insurance Companies, whether foreign or indigenous.

NO MANAGING AGENTS.

One of the most important provisions, it is understood, is to prohibit the employment of Managing Agents by Insurance Companies and to terminate the existing Managing Agencies. There will be no debate on the Bill, which will be merely introduced, but Sir N. N. Sircar may make a motion early in February for referring the Bill to a Select Committee, when a debate is likely.

OTHER MOTIONS.

Two other motions that will come up to-morrow are by Sir Frank Noyce. One recommends the Governor of Bengal not to ratify the Draft Conventions of the International Labour Conference, regarding the rights under invalidity of old age, and widows and orphans' insurance, and the other is concerned with Annual Holidays With Pay.

To-morrow's sitting is expected to be brief.—A. P.

MAHATMA BACK AT WARDHA

Busy Fortnight Ahead For Bajaj

WARDHA, Jan. 25.

Mahatma Gandhi arrived here yesterday by the Grand Trunk Express having finished his South India Tour.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj also arrived to-day by the Bombay Express.

BUSY TIME FOR BAJAJ

Election campaign is in full swing. Meetings are being held on behalf of the Congress and non-Congress candidates. Seth Jamnalal Bajaj will be very busy in the next fortnight touring this province particularly Wardha, Chanda and Arvi constituencies.—A. P.

NO DEFIANCE OF ORDERS

Jawahar's Reply To Biyani

AKOLA, Jan. 25.

The Hon. Mr. Brijlal Biyani, President of the Berar Provincial Congress Committee has received a telegram, in reply to his own telegram, to-day from Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, Congress President regarding the Independence Day celebrations advising him not to disobey the Executive orders.

A meeting will be held tomorrow for passing a brief resolution reiterating the old pledge.—United Press.

Assembly Interpellations

NO GENERAL RELEASE OF DETENUS YET

Craik Fears Recrudescence Of Terrorist Movement

NEW DELHI, Jan. 25.

Replying to Mr. Saxena in the Assembly to-day regarding the Congress resolution on future wars the Home Member said that Government were not prepared to discuss the question in the abstract as it was not in public interest.

SUBHAS BOSE'S HEALTH

Regarding the medical examination of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose Sir Henry Craik informed the same member that Mr. Bose was examined by three specialists this month and their report was to the effect that his general health was good and gave no cause for anxiety. His weight was 171 lbs. when he arrived in Kurseong. Now it was 162-1|2 which in the opinion of the specialist was good weight for a man of Mr. Bose's height and build. There was some discomfort in the abdomen owing to adhesions after the operation which Mr. Bose underwent some time ago in Vienna. This was a common after-effect of such an operation. Government did not consider the feasibility of issuing periodical bulletins. The Home Member further added that in accordance with the requirements of regulation Three of 1818 the case was submitted by the Government of India for review in September last. Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose would not be detained longer than was considered necessary in the interests of public tranquillity.

IN QUETTA

Sir Aubrey Metcalfe told Mr. Navalrai that according to press reports 21 earthquake shocks had occurred in Quetta since May 1935. Seven were recorded by the Seismographs.

Sir N. N. Sircar informed Sardar Mangalsingh that it was not possible to make a forecast as to the date of the inauguration of Federation.

NO AMNESTY

Sardar Mangalsingh was informed by Sir Henry Craik that it was not proposed to grant amnesty to prisoners of any description on the occasion of the Coronation.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT PRECAUTIONS

In reply to Mr. Asaf Ali regarding the importance of anti-aircraft precautions taken in Northern India, Sir Henry Craik said that the part which aerial warfare would play in future wars was even among experts largely a matter of opinion but as far as India was concerned it must be realized that India's main protection lay in the distance which separated her from a first class power. The whole question was at present under consideration of Government.

BENGAL DETENUS

Regarding the Bengal detenus Sir Henry Craik told Mr. Chattopadhyaya that the Government of India were only concerned with the Deoli jail where there had been no deaths through unnatural causes during the last three years. One detenu recently committed suicide there. Although the situation regarding terrorism had improved, the improvement would not justify a general release of persons detained, because of their connection with terrorism particularly in view of the fact that such release had in the past been followed by recrudescence of the movement.

I.C.S. AND ENGINEERING

Regarding inclusion of engineering among subjects prescribed for the I.C.S. examination held in India Sir Henry Craik told Lala Shamlal that no change at present had been contemplated.

EXPENDITURE FOR BROADCASTING

Sir Frank Noyce informed Mr. Saxena that the total expenditure incurred on broadcasting during the last four years (1932-33 to 1935-36) was nearly Rs. 15-1|2 lakhs. Until August 1935 there was only one English officer in the department but at present there were four. The cost of goods imported on Government amounted during the period mentioned approximately to four lakhs. Government had not yet considered the cost of establishing a radio Research Board.

Regarding the visit to the Andamans of Sir Yamin Khan and Mr. Hansraj, members of the Assembly Sir Henry Craik informed Mr. Saxena that their suggestions were being considered. Government were not at present in a position to make any statement as to what action would be taken.

Sir Henry Craik informed the same member that Government had no intention of allowing prisoners in Cellular jails any facilities for sea bathing.

INDIAN LAND CUSTOMS ACT

To Be Made Applicable To All Frontiers

NEW DELHI: Jan. 25.

The Land Customs Amendment Bill introduced by Sir James Grigg consists of six clauses and is intended to make the Indian Land Customs Act of 1924 applicable to all Frontiers.

The statement of objects and reasons explains that in view of the existing definition of "Foreign Territory", the Indian Land Customs Act does not apply to the Frontiers of Indian States. It has, therefore, been necessary to utilise the provisions of the Bombay Land Customs Act of 1857, in connection with the Land Customs lines, which have been established on the frontiers of Kathiawar and Cutch. Experience has shown that the Bombay Act is seriously defective in several respects, and it is, therefore, proposed that the All-India Act should now be made applicable to all frontiers. The proposed amendments will not in any way prejudice the Treaty Rights of States, and do not imply any intention of extending or increasing the existing Land Customs lines. Their purpose is merely to secure uniformity in Customs Administration throughout India.

BOILERS ACT AMENDMENT.

A Bill further to amend the Indian Boilers Act of 1923, introduced by Sir Frank Noyce, provides for the constitution of a Central Board which will have authority to make regulations, which is at present exercised by the Government. The powers at present vested in the Provincial Governments will not be affected. The proposal was discussed at the Industries Conference held at Lucknow in December, 1936, and secured general approval.

A Bill further to amend the Indian Electricity Act of 1910, introduced by Sir Frank Noyce, provides for the constitution of another Central Board to deal with electricity.—A. P.

EDGAR WALLACE'S DETECTIVE STORY DAY BY DAY

Inspector Wade— *The Clever One*

A PERFECT TRAP!— AS SOON AS THEY STEP OUT TO SEARCH THE AMBULANCE, I'LL LET GO!
SCREEECH!
12-23
WADE TOLD ME NOT TO LEAVE THE CAR, BUT SHUCKS-- I DON'T SEE NOTHIN' TO WORRY ABOUT!
SO YOU'RE ALONE, EH? THAT'S EVEN BETTER-- TAKE THAT!
LYMAN ANDERSON

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